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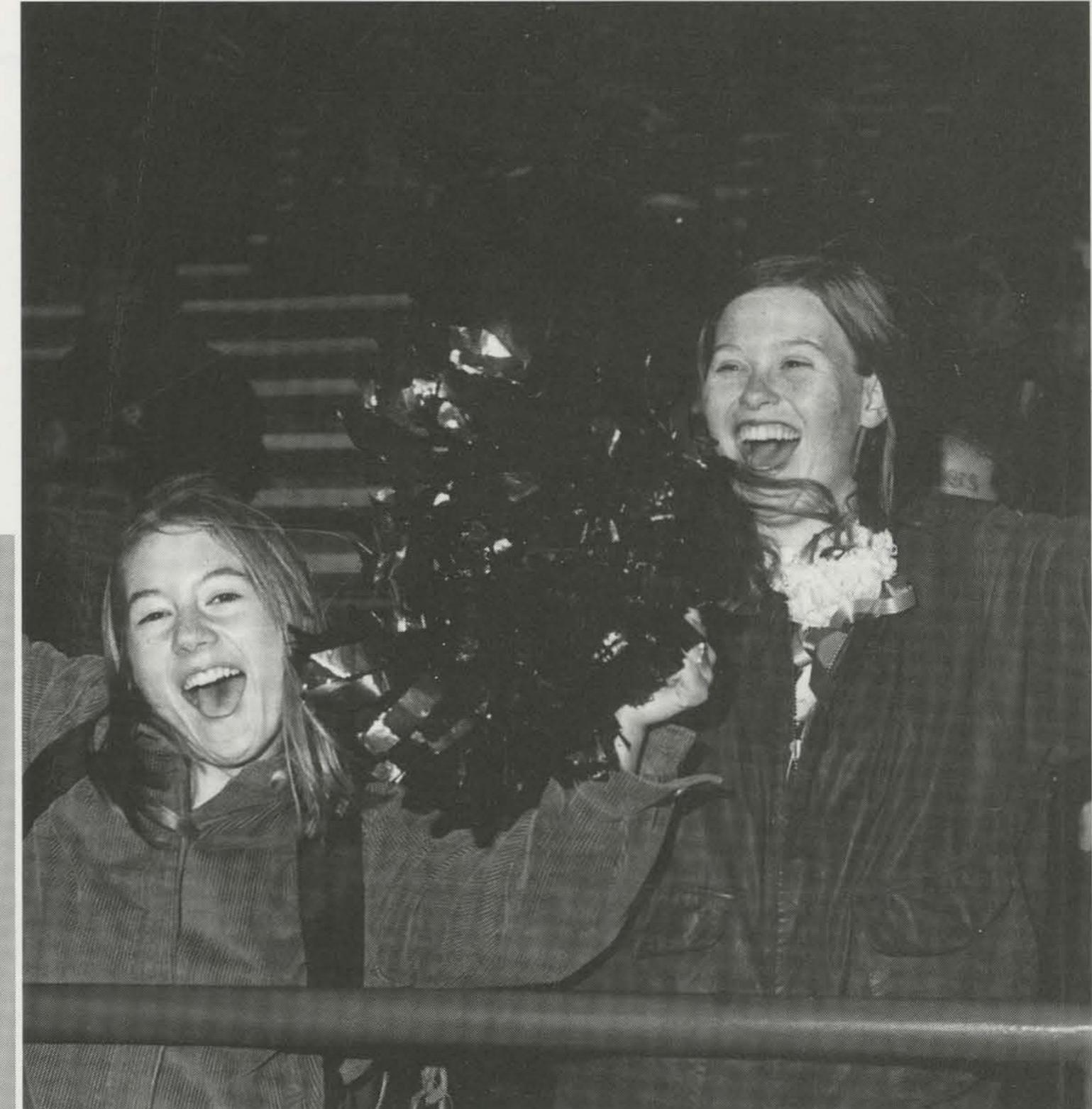
Above: RETHINK. Juniors Neil Burskins and Jeff Yeagle joke around while displaying their costumes. Nice dog collars boys, now what exactly were you supposed to be?

Left: RESPONSE. Introducing the varsity football team at homecoming, the varsity cheerleaders try to create a large response from the stands.

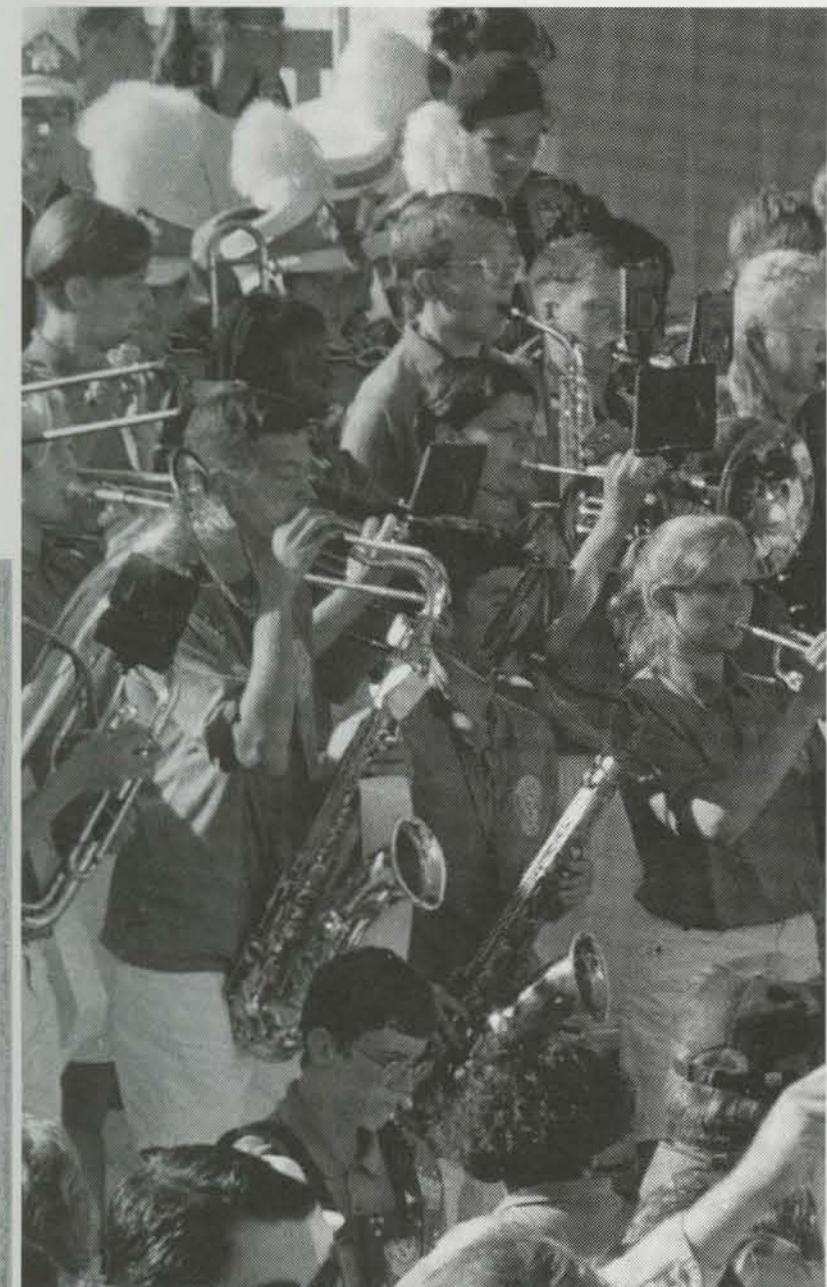


Above: RELATE. Senior Emily Eaton is always around to carry senior Lauren Reno when she needs a good friend.

Left: REJOICE. Junior-senior Emma Christensen and senior Vicky Roberts have an enjoyable time cheering on the U-High Pioneers football team. Christensen and Roberts enthusiasm is contagious, everyone around them ends up reflecting their spirit. "Hammer the Hawks, U-High!"



Below: RECITE. Sophomore Jean Hurtz happy to be singing for chorus.



Above: RESOUND. The U-High marching band gives an amazing performance..

Reflections

*The 1997 Clarion is going to make apply your past to your future.....
"Who you are today is a reflection of who you will be tomorrow."*

After walking the halls of U-High for four years, we seem to forget one important thing, what we do today will effect our futures.

We've heard our parents and teachers tell us many times to, "hold onto today, because these years won't last very long." We tend to ignore their advice, continuing to complain that high school is a repeating process and a bore.

As freshmen we were thrust into the hands of FIRST, reliving our jr. high years. As sophomores we re-enter the real world. As juniors, it often appears that we are re-learning the same material we learned as freshmen and sophomores. Seniors find themselves feeling both relieved to finally be leaving school behind and a little regretful that they didn't take advantage of everything we could have.

We must not forget how extra curricular activities play into this

cycle.

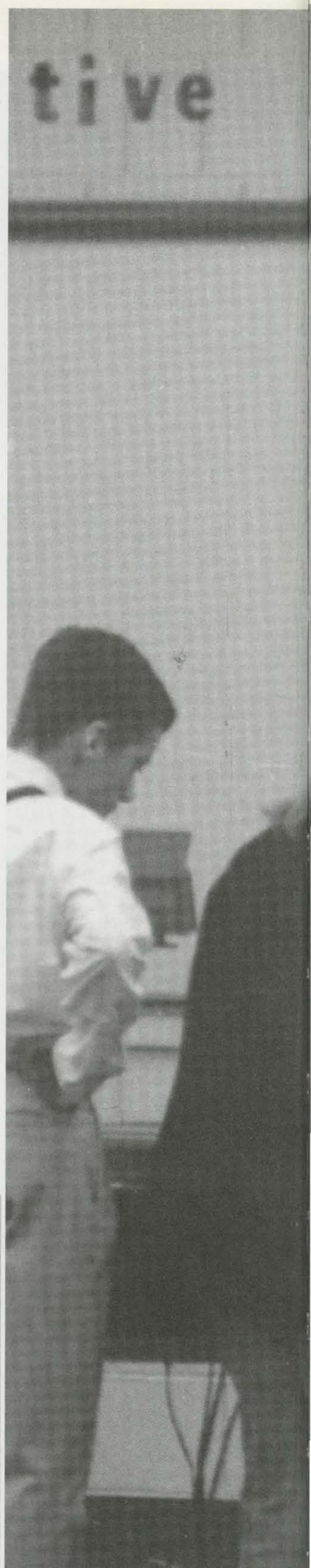
Every year we re-join the same clubs and participate in the same athletic teams. Occasionally we branch out and try new things. Somewhere, between joining new clubs and holding onto the old ones, we grow up and reflect on everything that we have done. If we are lucky, we learn how high school has shaped our lives.

This book has been designed to be your own personal time capsule. Today, as you pass through the pages you can reflect on who you are right now. Tomorrow, these pages will be much more valuable. In the future this book will offer you a reflection of who you were in the past, reminding just how far you will go.

Good luck in everything
- 1997 Clarion staff-

*Who we are
today is a reflection
of who we will
be tomorrow.*

Right: Seniors Lindsay Hunt, Laura Dwyer, and Melanie Schnault bundle together in the U-high gym, dreading their next class.



TOMORROW

RE-SHAPING

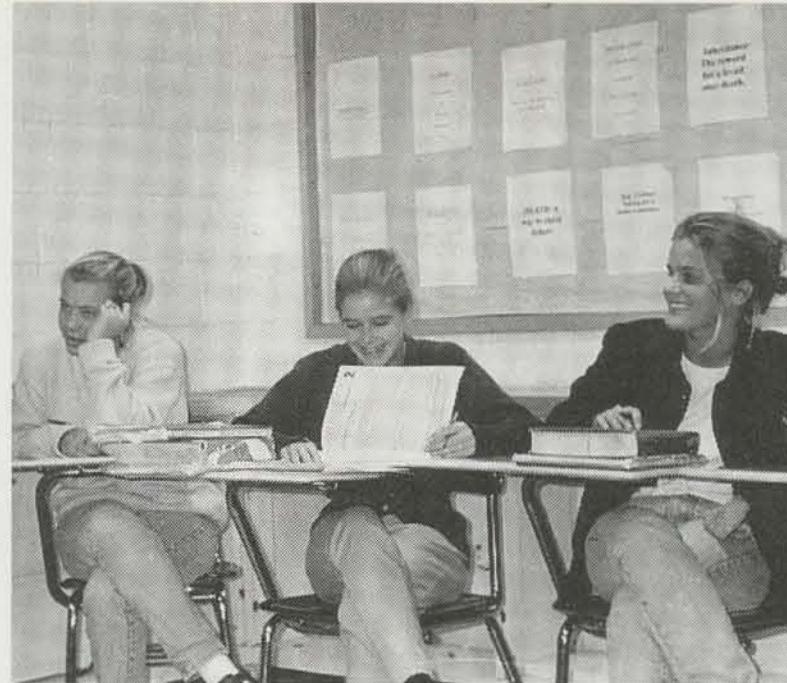
U-High is known for setting high standards for their faculty and students. "The first semester of school seems to go by so quickly," said a smiling junior Amy Magarity. On top of the six classes, the average student takes, he or she is also expected to participate in sports, clubs, and other activities. To mention tough classes such as Physics, Civil Law, Pre-Calculus, and English Literature just skims the top of challenging offerings. I.S.U. classes and independent studies are some other options our school offers.

The combined efforts of the U-High faculty and I.S.U have created many benefits for every student at U-High. However, there is a purpose to all the madness. With the skills and knowledge the students have acquired at U-High, combined with the advantages of going to a lab school, many will benefit the community and perhaps even the World.

*"After your
Junior year, your
brain is so fried,
you're lucky you
can even find
the school your
Senior year!"*

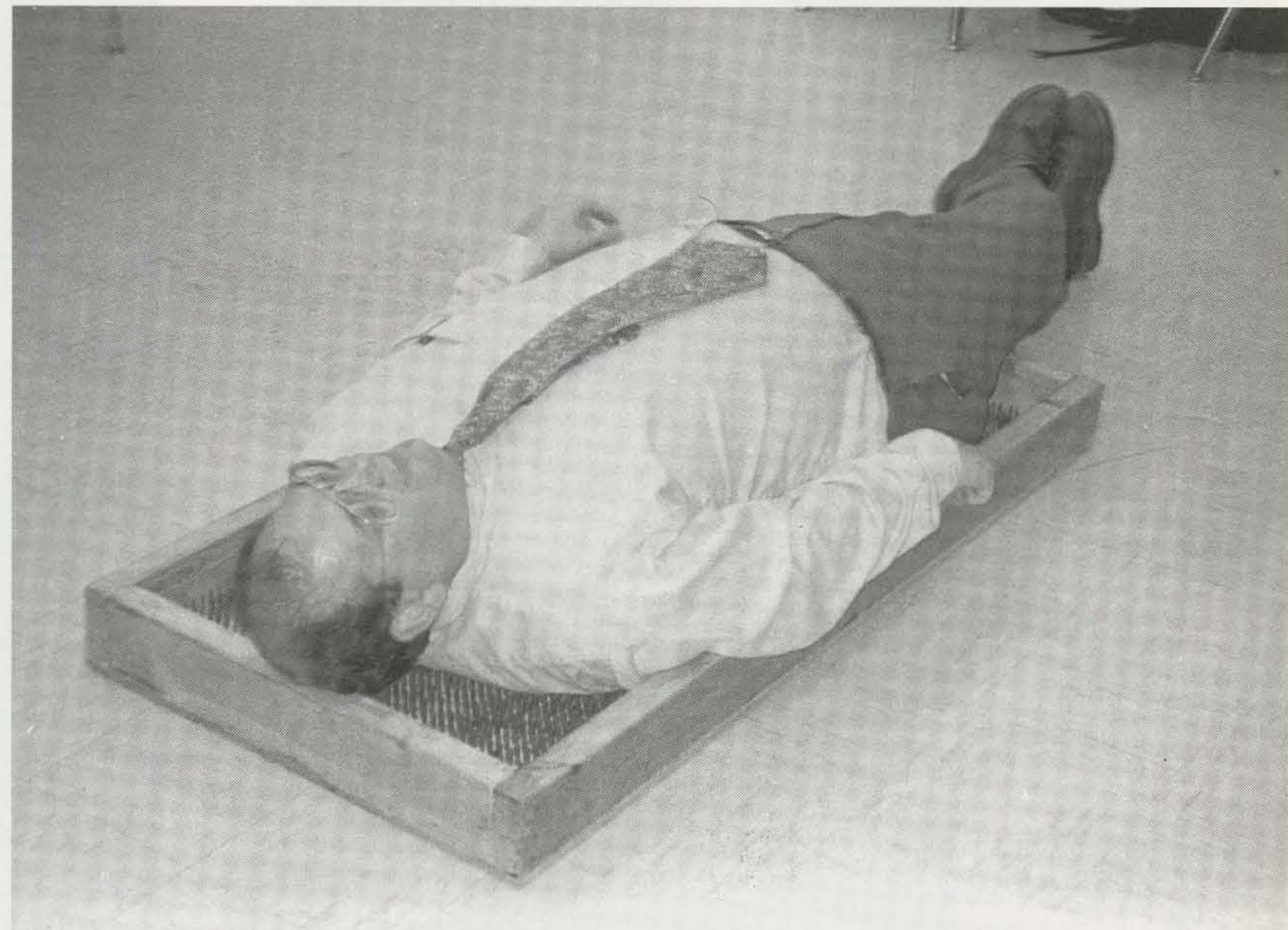
-Cate Curry

Learning



Left: Juniors Lexi Baldocchi, Angie Davidson, and Lauren Bratberg study hard during their American Literature class.

Below: Everyone's favorite physics teacher, Tom Holbrook, laid on a bed of nails to demonstrate the effects on pressure.

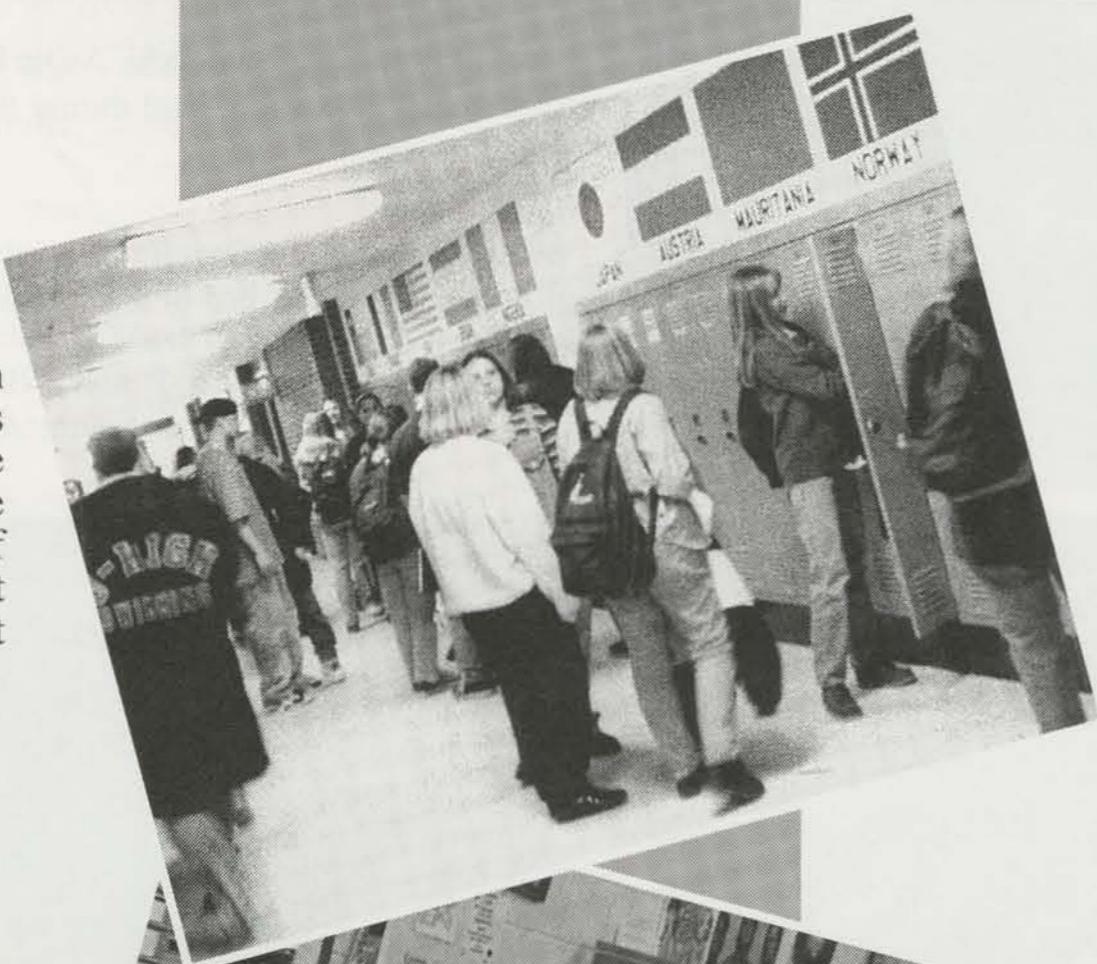


Reflecting the Past

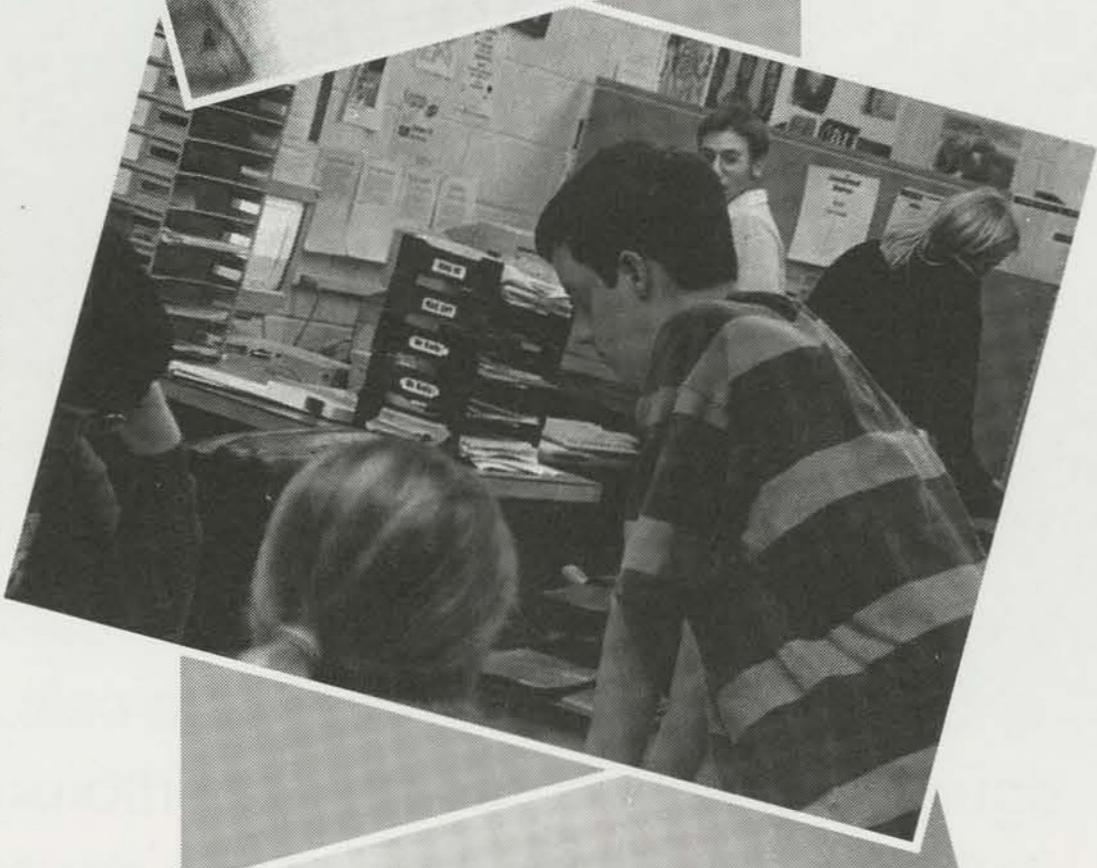
"This year, for once, I finally felt like I was a part of the school because I was no longer stuck on the third floor. Freedom, I tell you, freedom! Then, reality hit me when I took Kinsella's oral test."

-Amy Van Cauwenberge

Left: freshmen health teacher, Debbie Hubbard shows her students how cooperative learning works. Wellness was one of the many classes included in the F.I.R.S.T. program.



Right: U-High Sophomores s c r a m b l e throughout the hallway of people to get to their next class.



Right: Journalism students work around the clock to produce the U-high newspaper and yearbook.

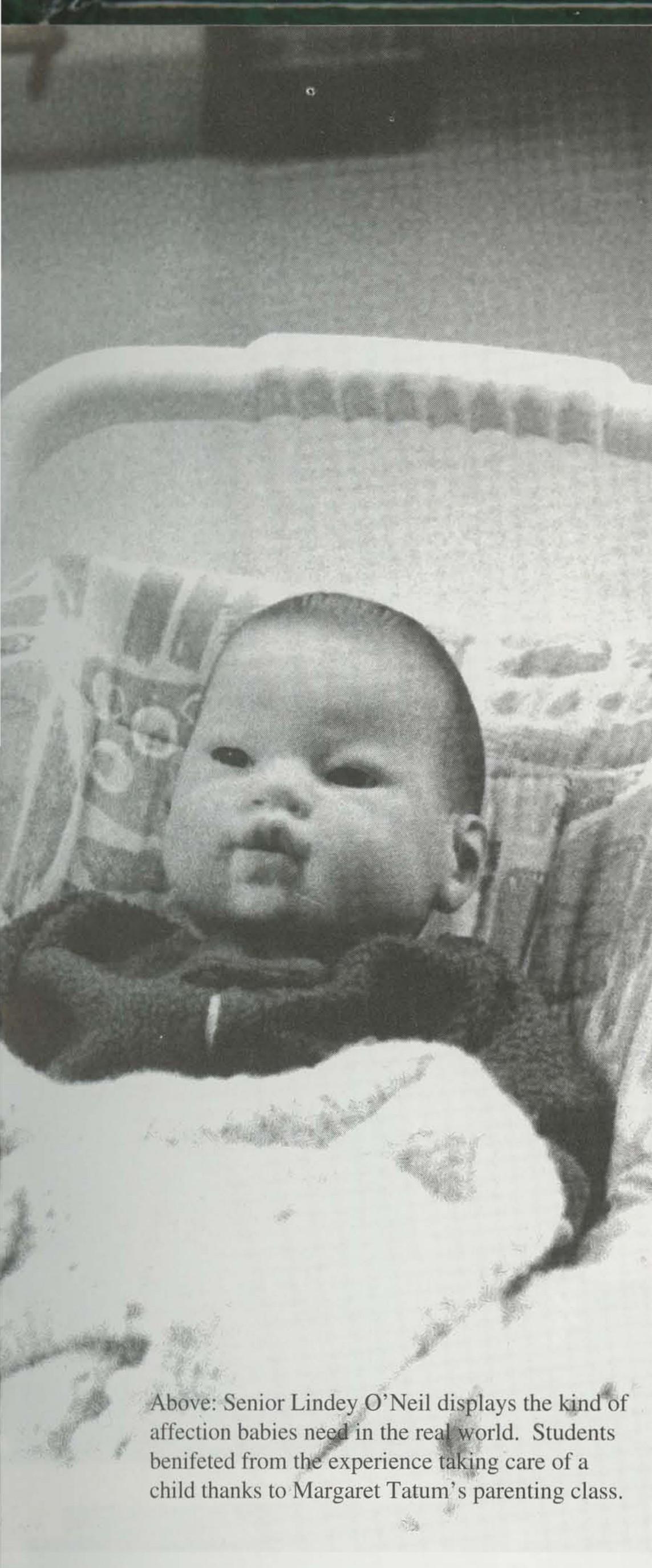


Right: Counselor Sandy Brown prepares the board for the many classes students had signed up to take next year.



Right: Some of the Journalism members gather together to form their own Touchy/Feely club. Wacky scenes like this were commonly seen throughout the year.





Above: Senior Lindey O'Neil displays the kind of affection babies need in the real world. Students benifited from the experience taking care of a child thanks to Margaret Tatum's parenting class.



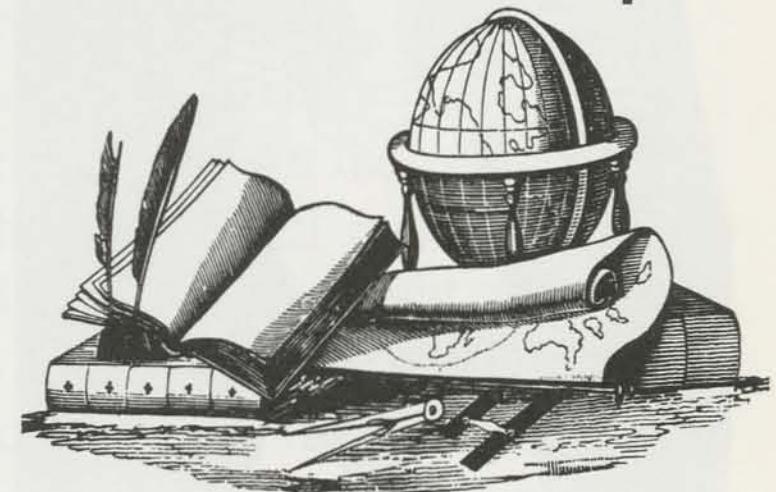
Left: Senior Stephen Weaver and Sophomore Phillip Morgan get a work out in their gym class. Students were required to take four years of physical education.

RECEIVING STANDARDS

Every student at U-High is expected to follow the codes and standards that separate us from them.

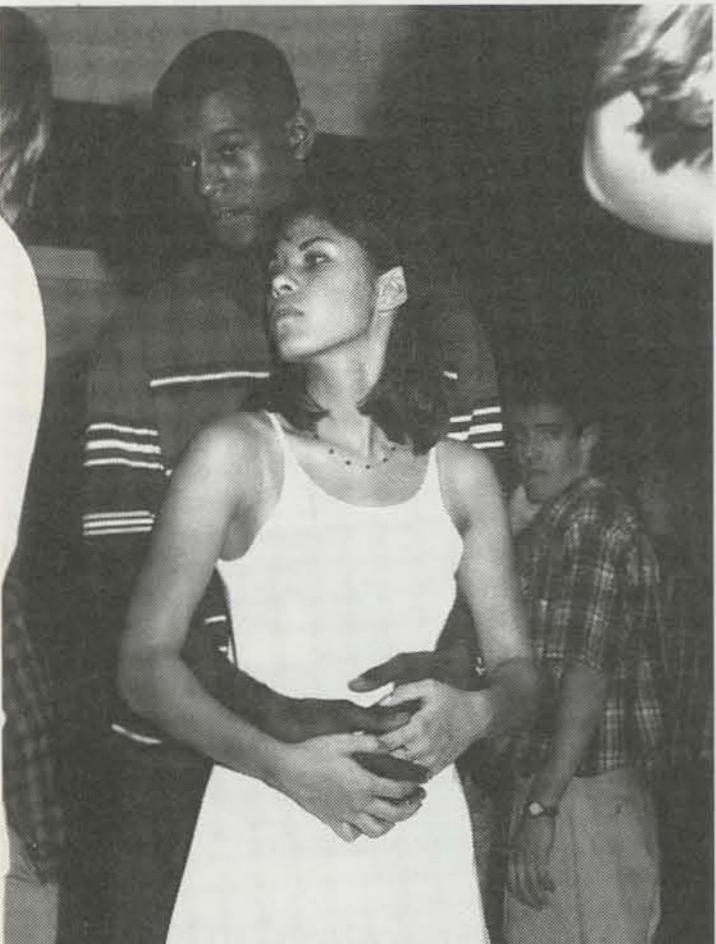
This year, students in Margaret Tatum's parentings classes focused on developing their own set of standards. Tatum integrated the use of computerized babies, called "*Baby Think It Over*," into her normal parenting class. The babies really produced crying noises that could not be stoped unless the parent held the baby properly and used a specific key to turn it off. The babies needed constant attention. The student could not simply ignore the baby because a computer print out notified Tatum of the parents progress.

Without the standards students receive, throughout their high school education, their goals in life would seem pointless. U-High Academics help to set the standards for the students' goals of tomorrow.

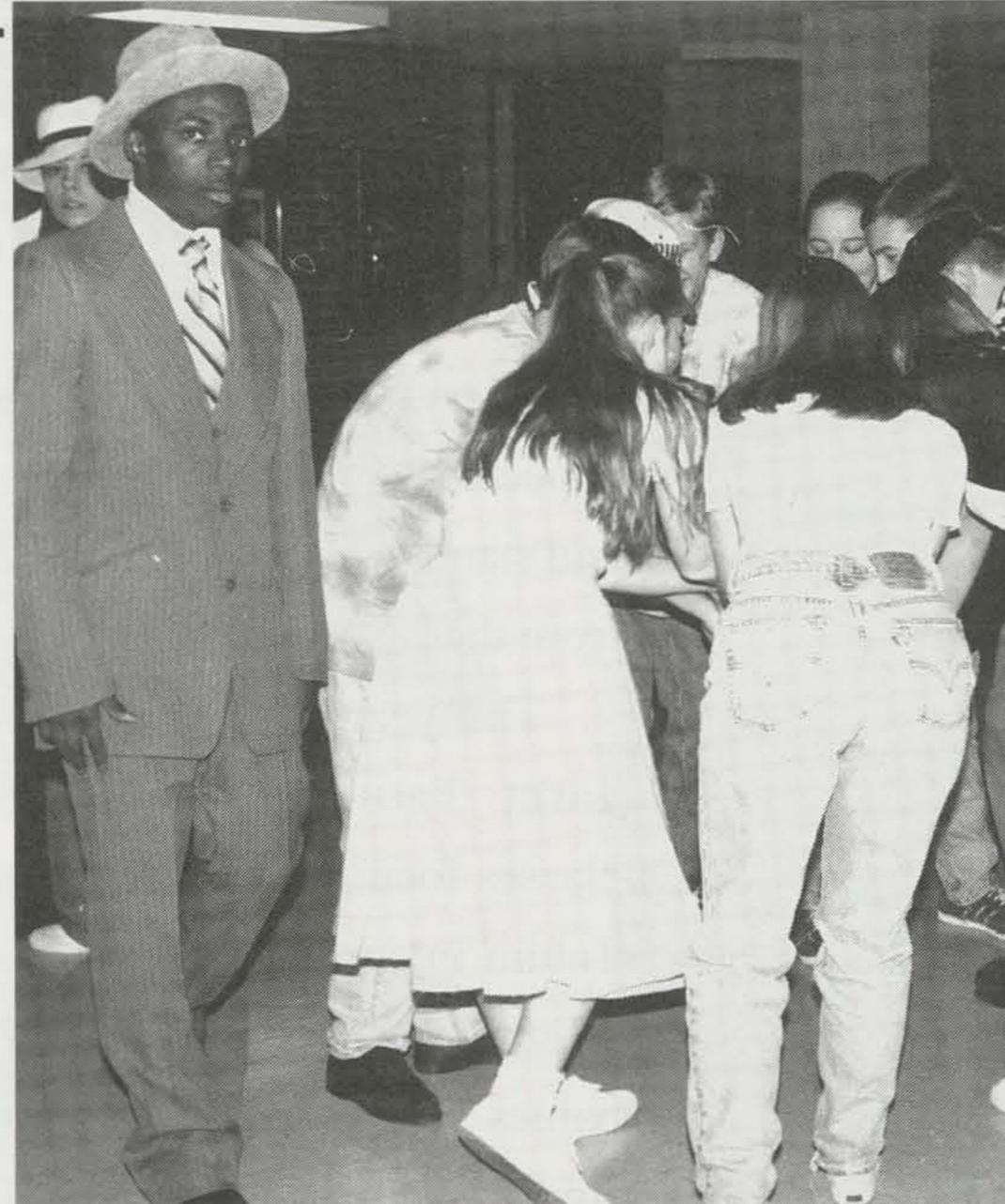


Above: Junior Jill Albritton works her arm muscles during one of U-High's very own Academically challenging gym classes.

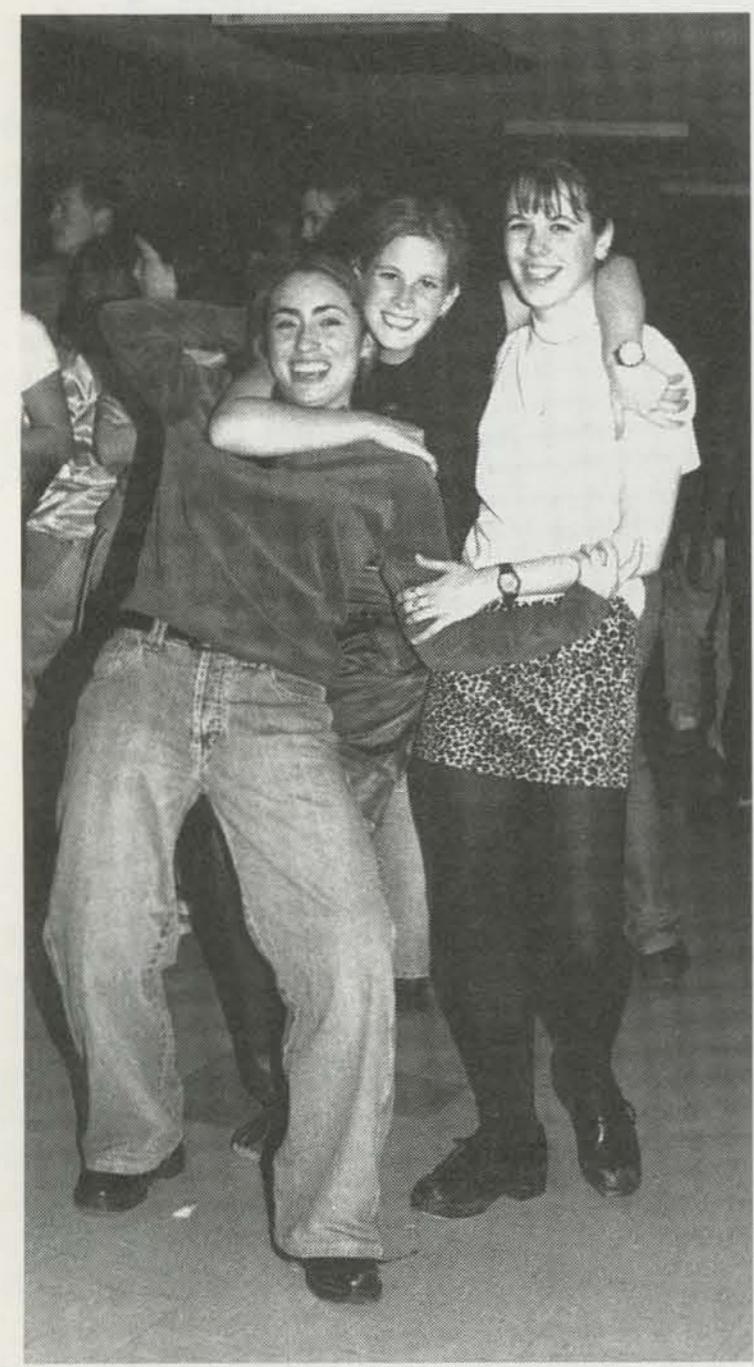
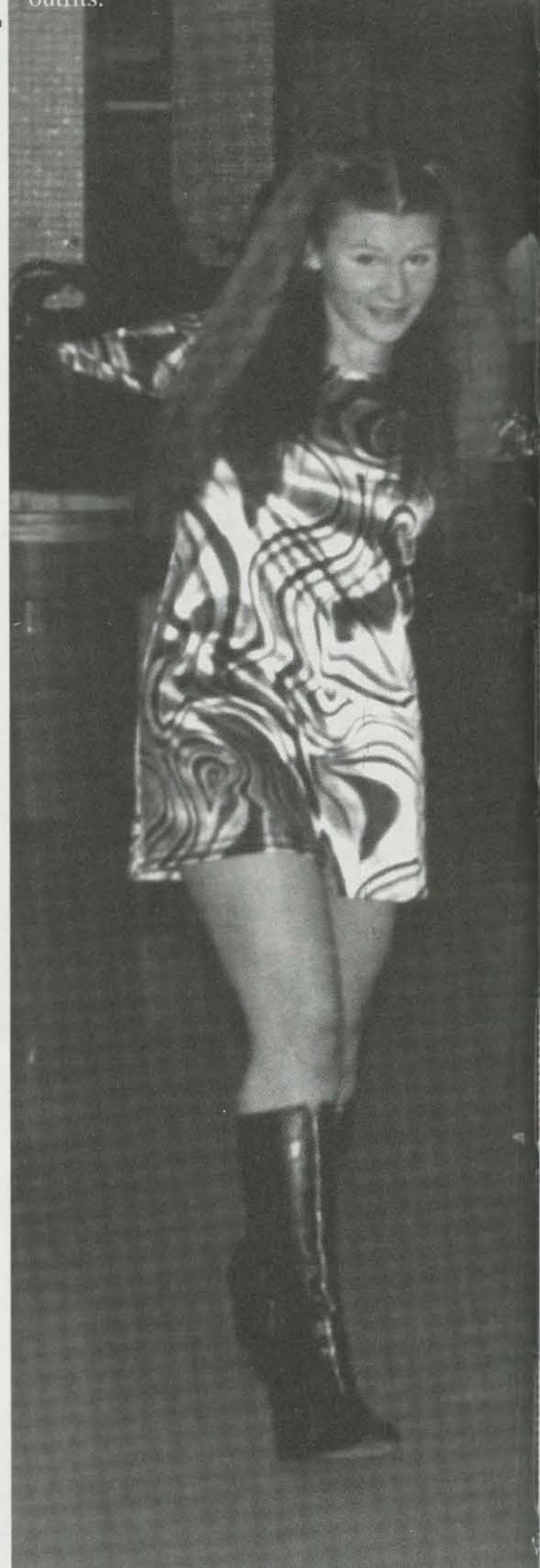
Below: Freshmen Roberta Dizon snuggles up with her date sophomore Jarred Delcourt at TWIRP. TWIRP is an annual semiformal where The Women Is Required To Pay.



Below: Senior Chris Murphy is suspiciously dressed at the Halloween dance, in gangster attire. It appears that those underclassmen behind him are conspiring to do some dirty deeds.



Senior Jamie Naffziger hangs with her freshman sister Jodi, at The Decade Dance. The Naffziger's caught the eye of many dance goers with their contrasting retro outfits.



Above: Seniors Jessica Hanlon and Emily Eaton and junior Bridget Nord gather together for an affectionate hug on the dance floor.

Upper Left: Senior Andy Steadman and Sophomore J. McCullough converse loudly over the music at the decade dance.

Left: Seniors Lindsey O'Neil, Molly McCambridge, Rachel Jannusch, Jessica Hanlon, Laura Dwyer, Lindsey Hunt and Kristi Witherow, prepare to have a commemorative photo taken at their final Welcome Back Dance.

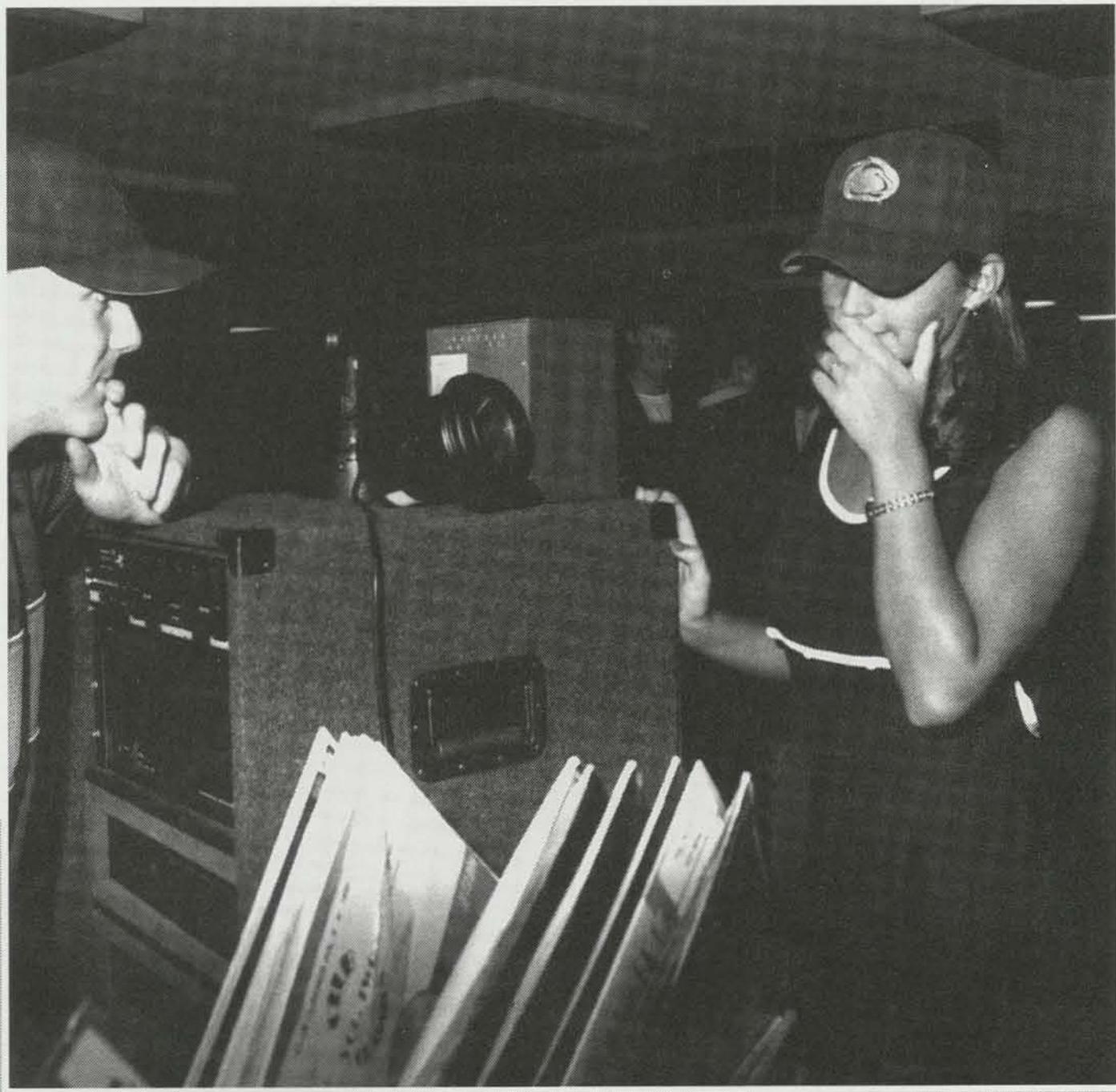


A Refreshing *CHANGE OF PACE*

Every year Senate sponsors a variety of activities to add to the social life of U-High students. The most popular of these activities are undoubtedly the theme dances held throughout the year.

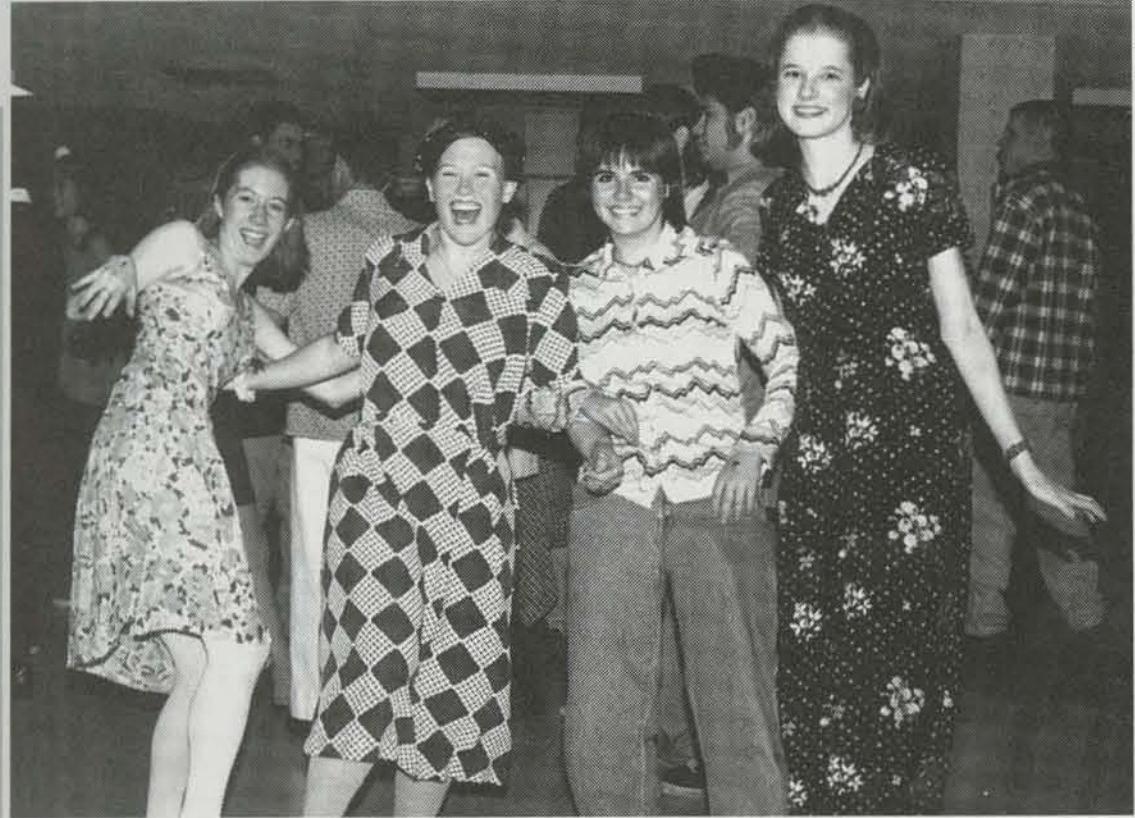
In August, students welcomed the new school year with a fun-filled evening on the tennis courts. Tony Nelson, caught a few strange glances when he wore a dress to the Halloween dance, the girls' swim team continued their tradition of dressing alike when they came as Care Bears. The Decade Dance was a new addition to the lineup, after it's successful appearance during Spirit Week.

U-High dances provide enjoyment and entertainment for everyone. Whether students are just standing by the wall talking to their crush, or rockin' on the dance floor with their friends, the music filled lounge provides a safe place for students to have a most excellent time!



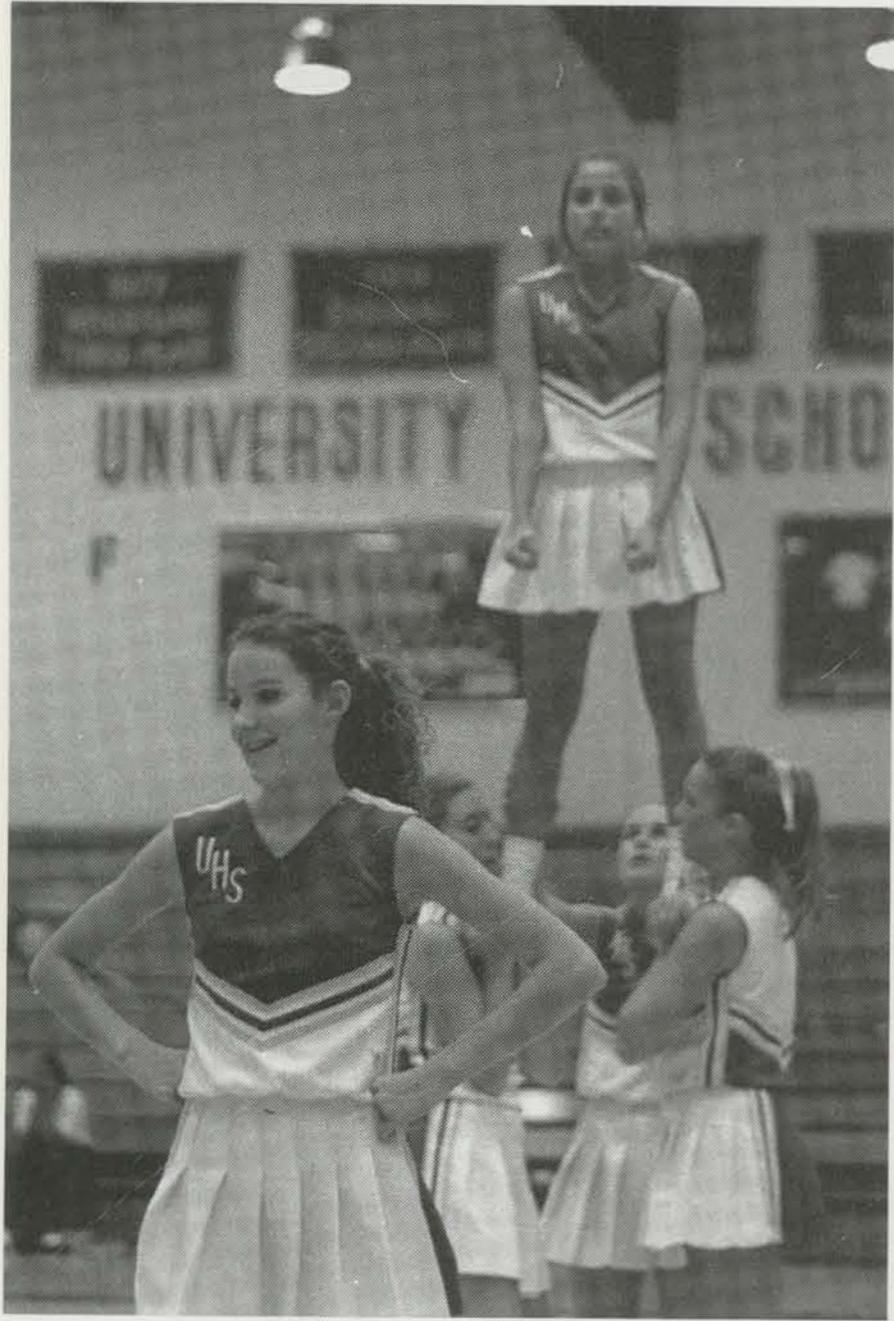
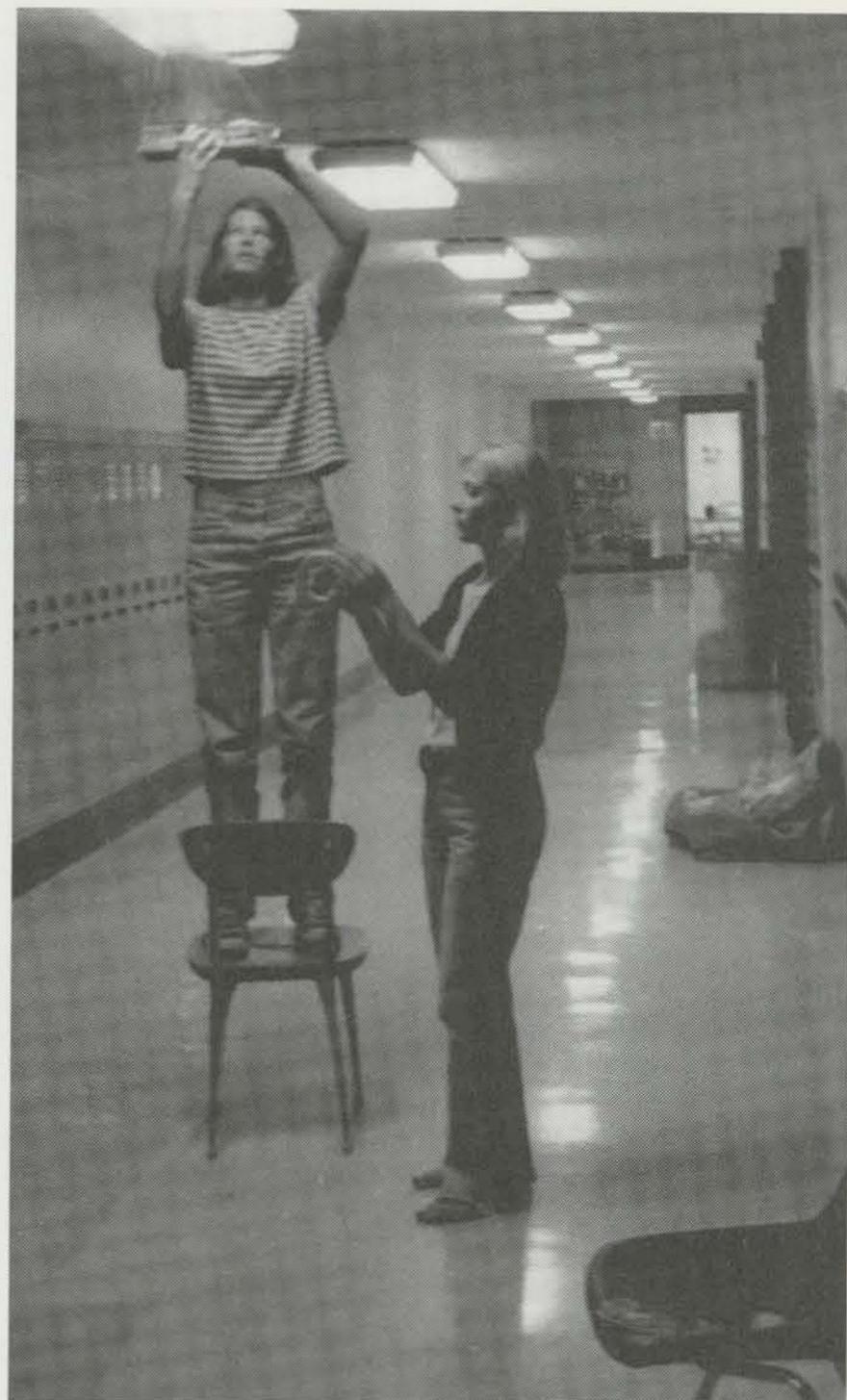
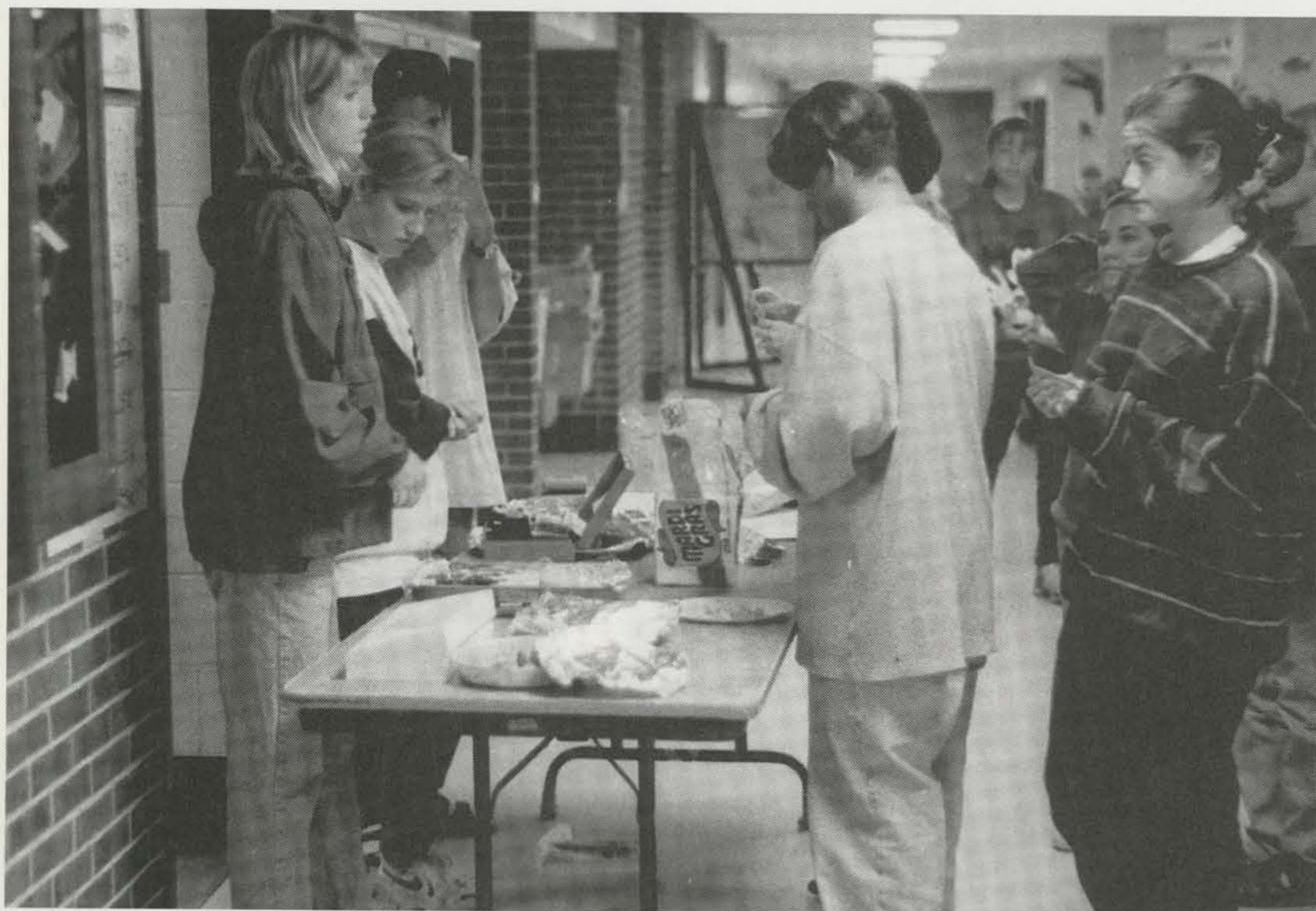
Above: Senior Megan Yontz contemplates the music selection brought by the DJ, who just happens to be U-High Alumni, Keith Hornbrook.

Left: It looks like seniors Emma Christensen and Vicky Roberts and juniors Bond Lammey and Katie Brokaw were having a good time at the Decade Dance. This dance gave students the opportunity to dress in attire from other decades. The 70's appeared to be the most popular decade at the dance.



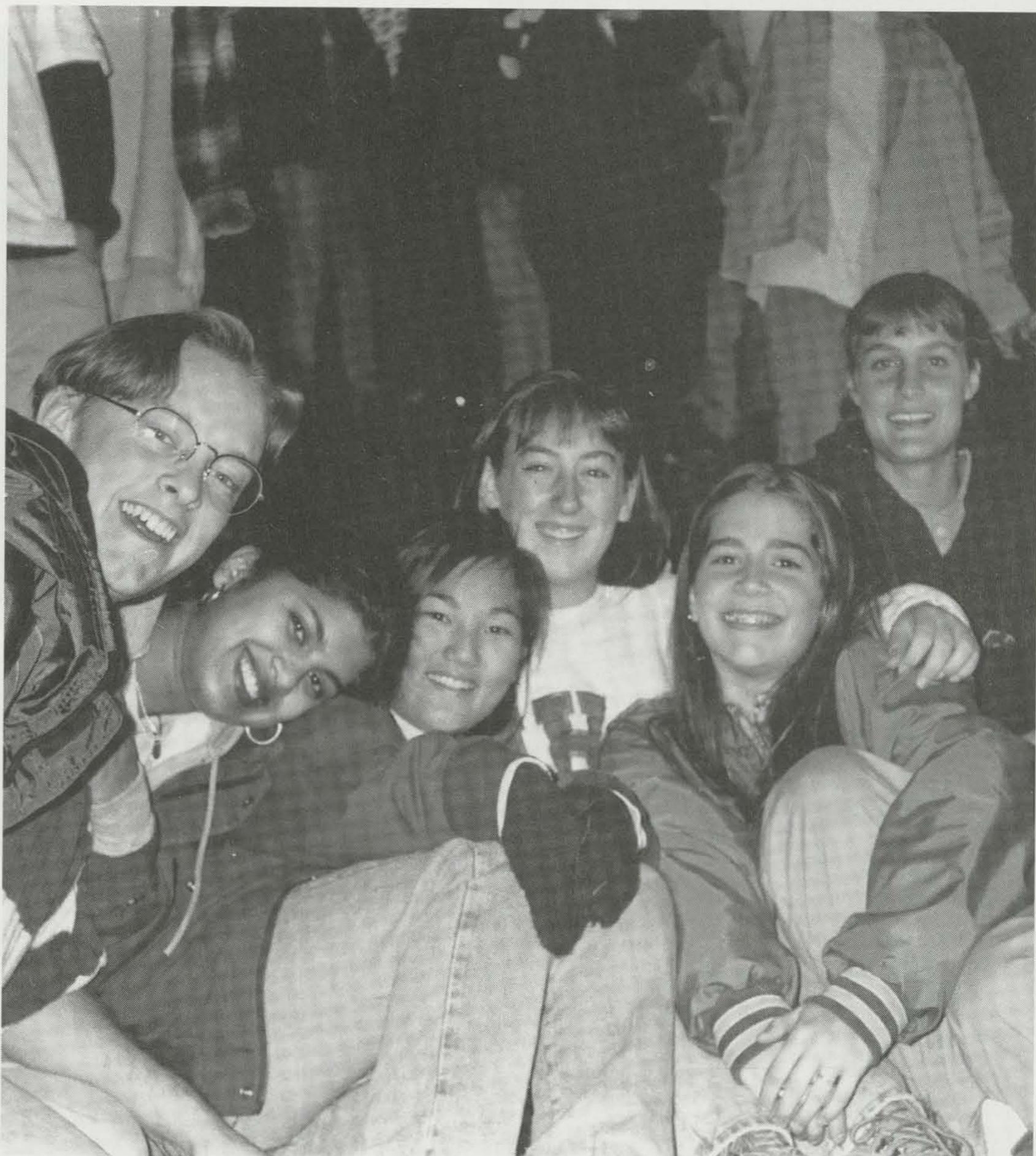
Right: Juniors Lacey Shirk and Susan Grotbo decorate the junior hallway in an "Under the Sea" motif. Shirk said, "Showing school spirit by decorating the hallway was fun." Traditionally, Spirit Week is kicked off by class hall decorating contests. This year the sophomore class won.

Below: Seniors Rachel Jannusch, Molly McCambridge and Sohal Patel serve students at the sidewalk cafe. Sidewalk cafe serves an assortment of treats at low prices.



Above: The cheerleaders get the students and faculty peped up for the Homecoming game, later that evening, against the Prairie Central Hawks.

Right: Seniors Jason VanCauwenberg, Rekha Ramanuja, Karen Choi, Jill Donovan, Katie Foster, and Shelley Oliver are having a good time at the bonfire. VanCauwenberg comments, "the bonfire was really fun!" After the bonfire was cancelled last year, the students were looking forward to it this year.



Ready for Spirit

By Michelle Natzke

During Homecoming week there were activities for anyone who wanted to, to participate. Jeremy Studebaker comments that, "this year's Homecoming week was better than the past couple of years and was a lot more fun." The week was started off on Monday, with students wearing their pj's to school and the after school-hall decorating contest. The sophomore class won the hall decorating.

Tuesday, students came to school in their beach attire, despite the beginning fall weather. During the lunch hours the Sidewalk Cafe was in the lounge with a large variety of foods to choose from at low prices. That evening the Moonlight Drive turned out to be a success. Sarah Faber won first place for best decorated car.

Wednesday, students were seen wearing the

wackiest tackiest clothes they could possibly find. A showing of the film *Goonies* was scheduled for the evening activity but to many of the students disappointment it had to be cancelled. The junior and senior girls held an unofficial powder puff game.

Thursday was Decade Day and students wore things from the 60's, 70's, and 80's. The bonfire during the evening was a huge success, including the torching of the Prairie Central Hawk. Rekha Ramanuja comments, "That was no bonfire, that was an inferno!"

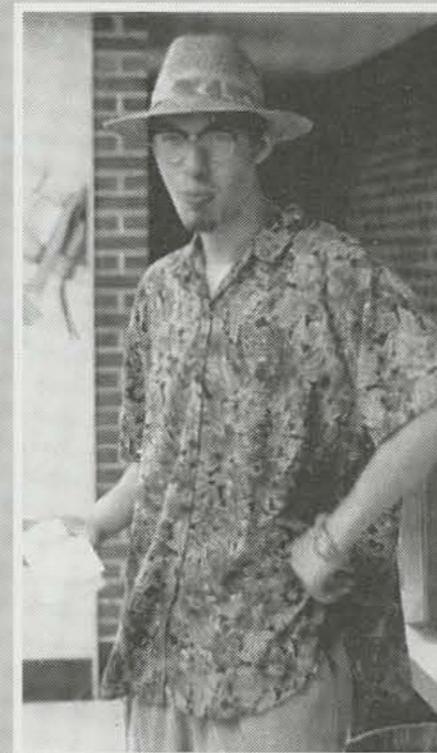
By Friday everyone was psyched for the Homecoming game and dance still to come. Students showed their school spirit by wearing green and gold. During the pep assembly students were given the opportunity of participating in class games. That night the football team blew the Hawks away with a 41-12 win.

Students Reveal Spirit



"Wanna buy a watch?"

-Gary Thompson



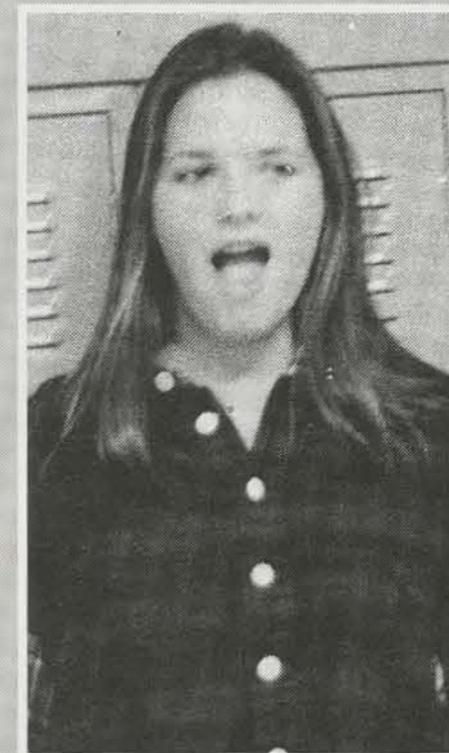
"Bring out the gimp."

-Jay McCullough



"I felt there was wackier, but I was the king of tacky."

-Andy Steadman



"I wish that I could wear my pj's everyday!"

-Megan Yontz

Remembering the Enchantment

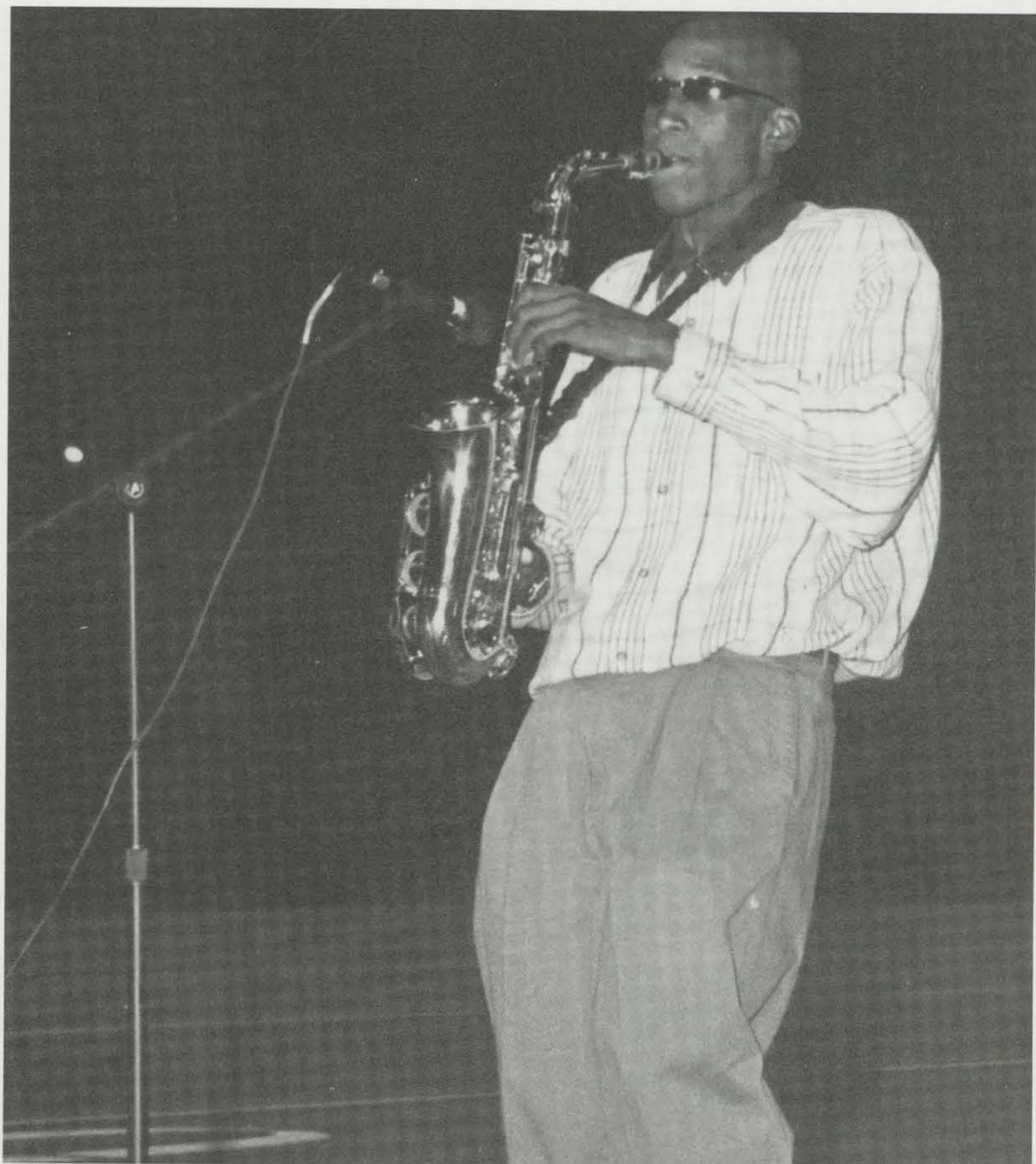
*Homecoming '96
Enchantment Under the Sea*

By Erica Otto

Homecoming '96 proved to be an enchanting evening for all. This years theme "Enchantment Under the Sea" went over surprisingly well. Many seniors danced the night away at their last high school Homecoming.

The lounge was decorated with under the sea theme, with "Senior Fish" lining the walls. Which was a nice tribute to the Class of '97.

The week that lead up to Homecoming night an activity filled week. It prove to be a fun filled time for all that participated in the activities. Some of the activities included: Dress up days; like decade day and clash day, other events were the bonfire, the pep assembly and the unofficial powder-puff football game between the junior and senior girls. The winners were of course the Class of '97. Overall Homecoming '96 was a complete success!

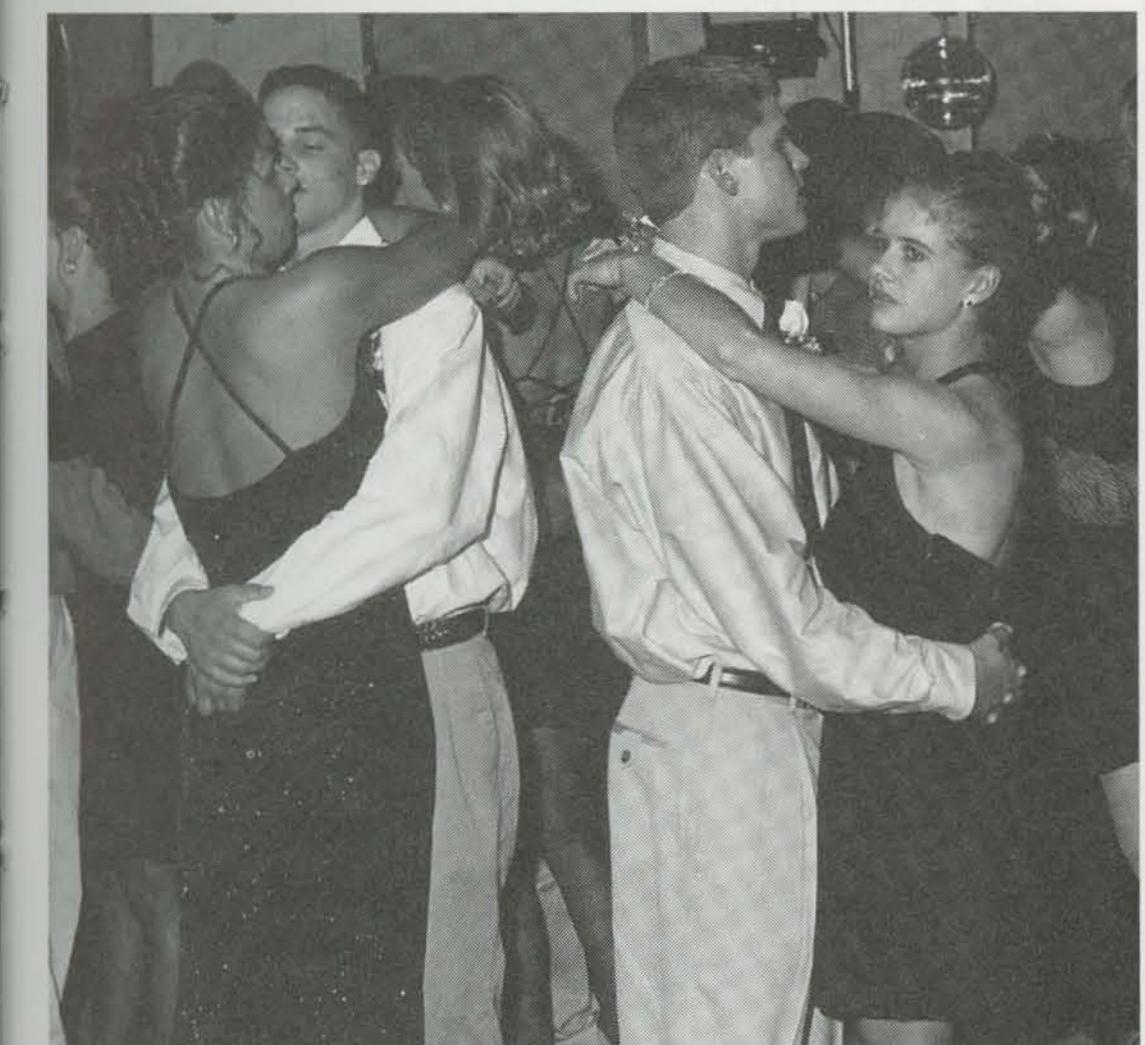


Above: Homcoming king Reggie Warner, plays his saxophone at the homecoming game.

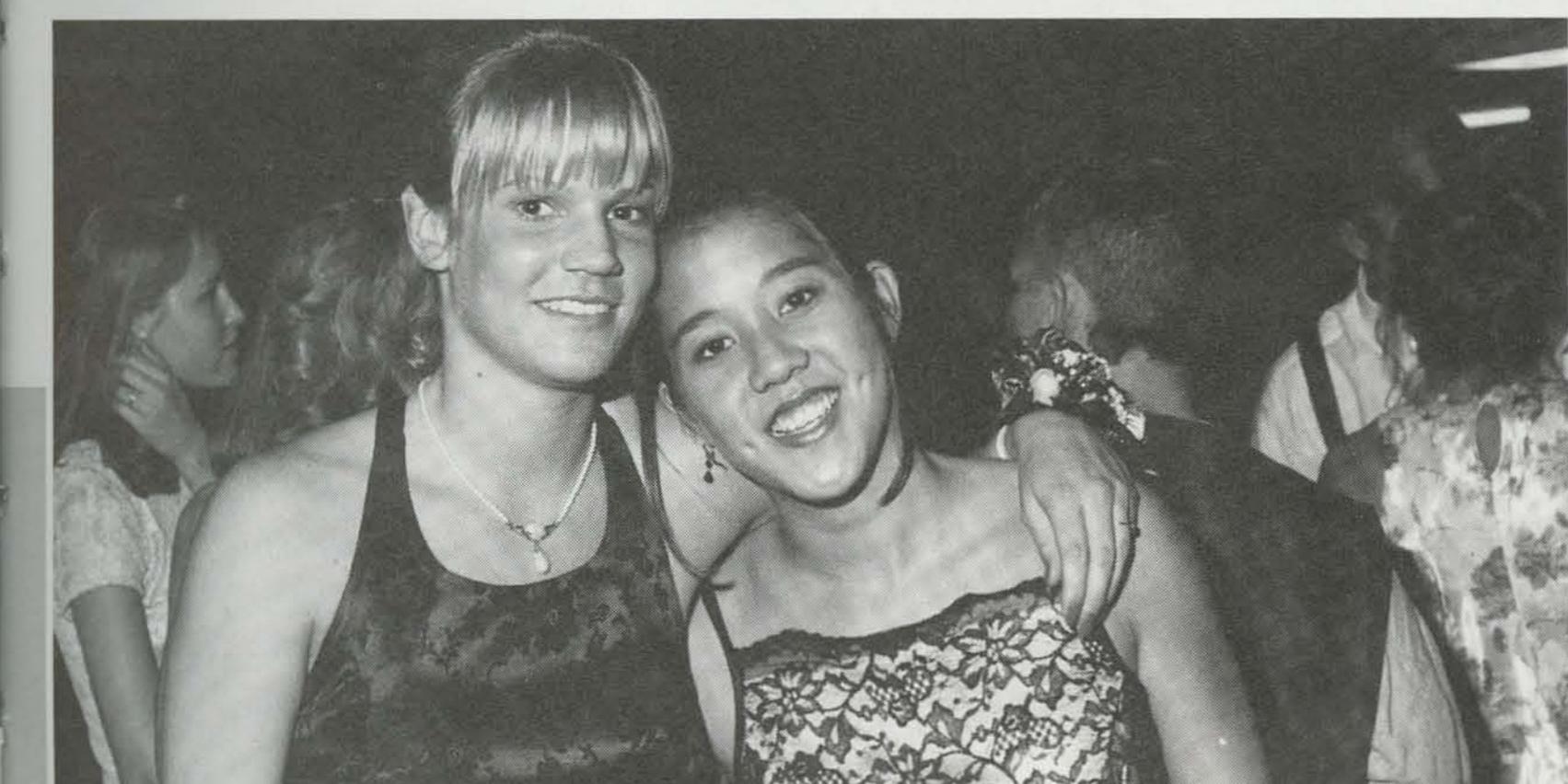


Left: The 1996 Homecoming Court : Lindsay Hunt, Dan Bradley, Lindsey O'neil, Chad Schulz, Jason VanCauwenberge, John Kim, Dave Griffith, King Reggie Warner, Queen Karen Choi, Molly McCambridge, Megan Yontz, and Judy Yin.

Below: Senior Karen Choi smiles with delight while alumni Sonia Sethi crowns her. Sethi and Eric Schlipf reined last as last year's Homecoming King and Queen.



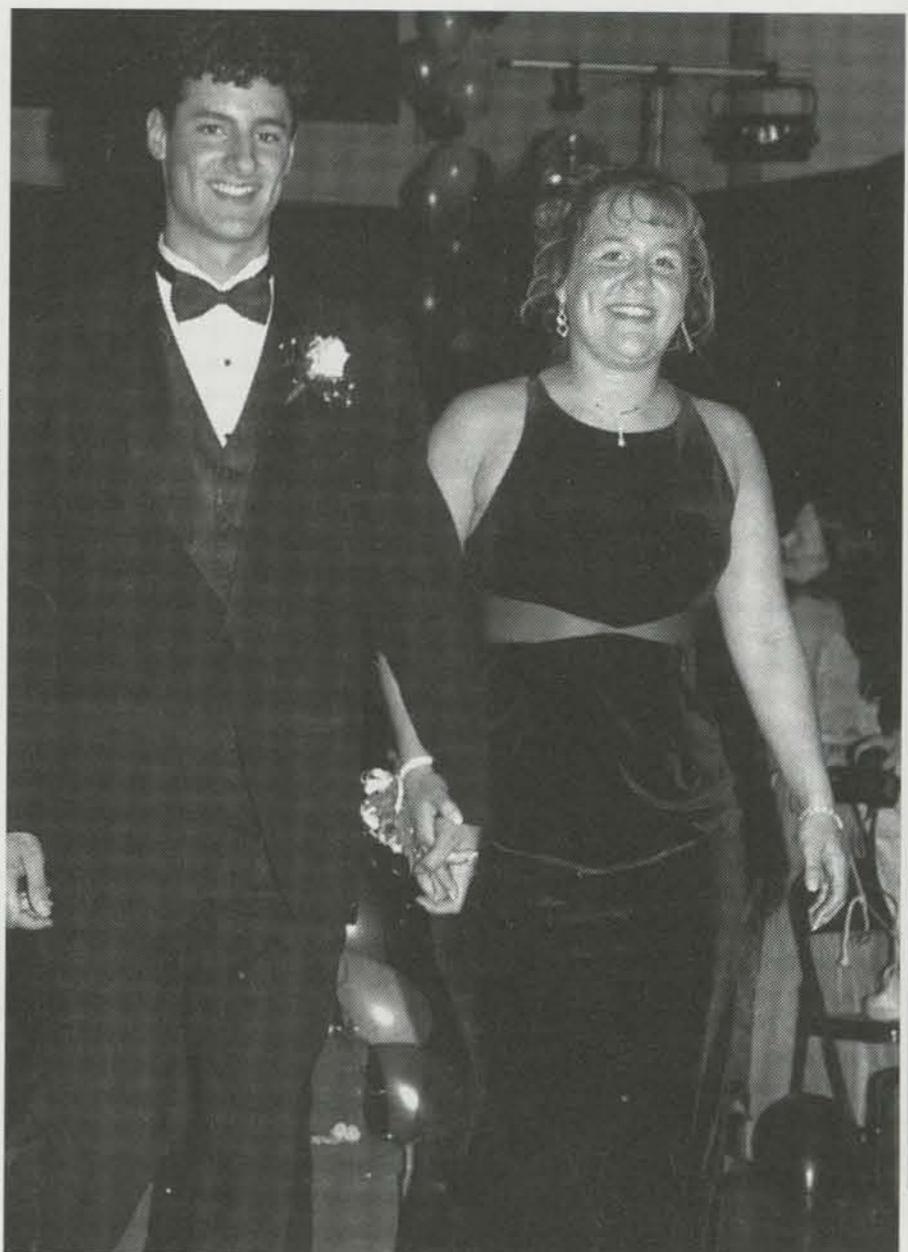
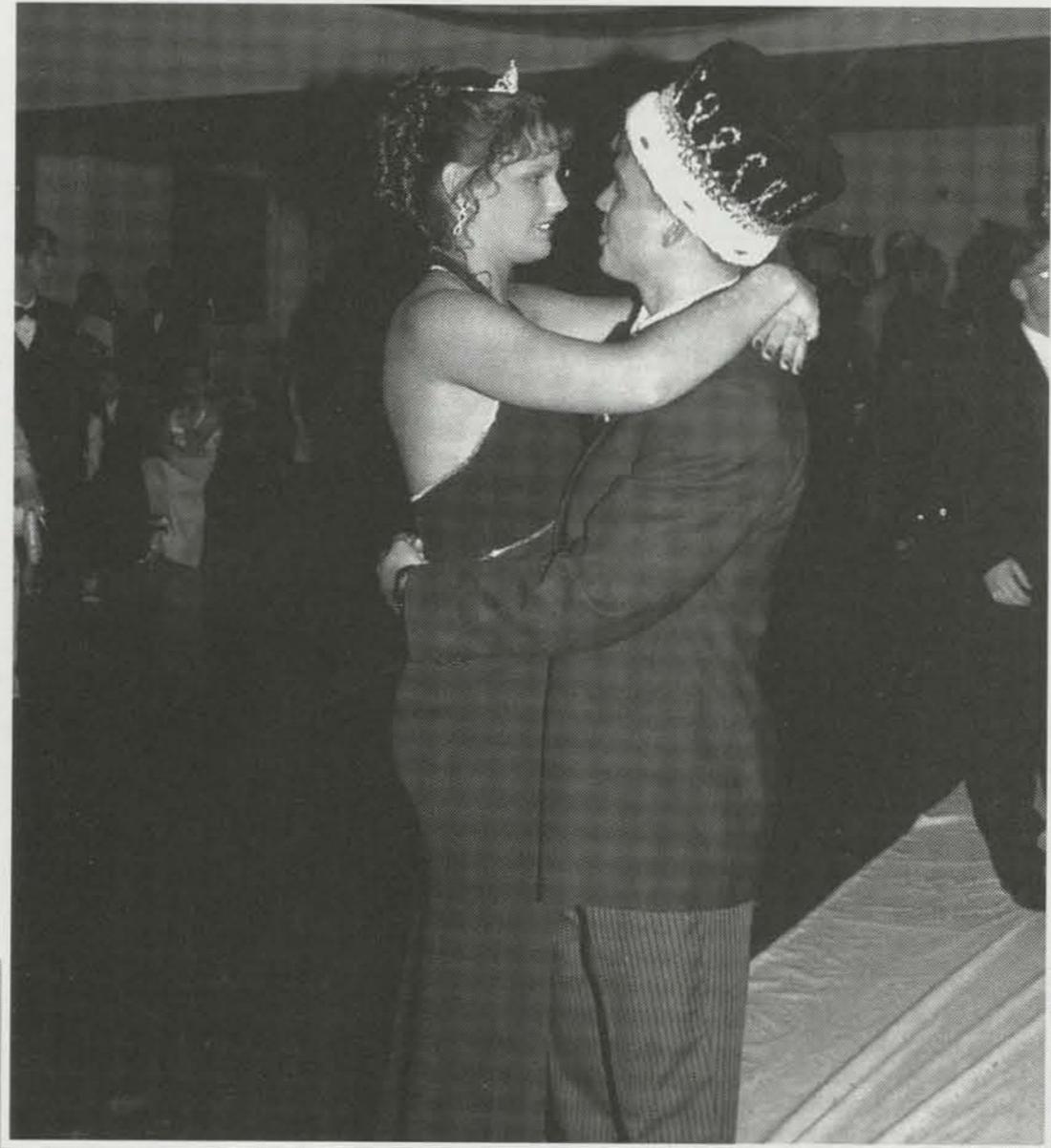
Above Left: Danny Bradley and Angie Davidson enjoy each others company during a slow dance at Homecoming.



Left: Seniors Joanie Gerdes and Judy Yin celebrate the goodtimes by embracing each other at thie r final homecoming dance.

PROM COURT

First Row: Lindsay Hunt, Rachel Jannusch, Molly McCambridge, Lindsey O'Neil, Judy Yin, Sonia Sethi, Megan Yontz, Danny Bradley, Eric Schlipf, Mark Harris, Jason Van Cauwenberge, Dave Griffith, Chad Schulz, Jeremy Stanton.



Above: Seniors' Megan Yontz and Danny Bradley take the first spin around the room as U-high's king and queen.

Right: Junior Matt Augspurger and Senior Molly Hotel take their turn strolling down the walk-way. Everyone attending Prom was apart of the grand march.

Romeo & Juliet

Left: Seniors Rob Mentzer and Emma Christensen take a quick break from the dance floor to further enjoy each others company.



Reuniting Star-Crossed Lovers

"Being in the night, all this is but a dream," was this year's prom subtitle for its Romeo and Juliet theme. The old Bloomington Junior High School provided for a night of romance that even the star-crossed lovers would have enjoyed, on May 3rd. Seniors Danny Bradley and Megan Yontz were named King and Queen of the evening. The theme song this year was from the "Romeo and Juliet" soundtrack, "Kissing you" by Des'ree. The colors chosen this year were black, white and

silver, which worked perfectly to create a medieval times effect.

Many of the dresses worn were colorful, yet, simple satin with a few sequins to add to the top. Accessories went the same route with very little being the key.

Music was provided by U-high alum Keith Hornbrook. And after the whimsical night of love ended, everyone received their prom favor; an album to place their memories in.

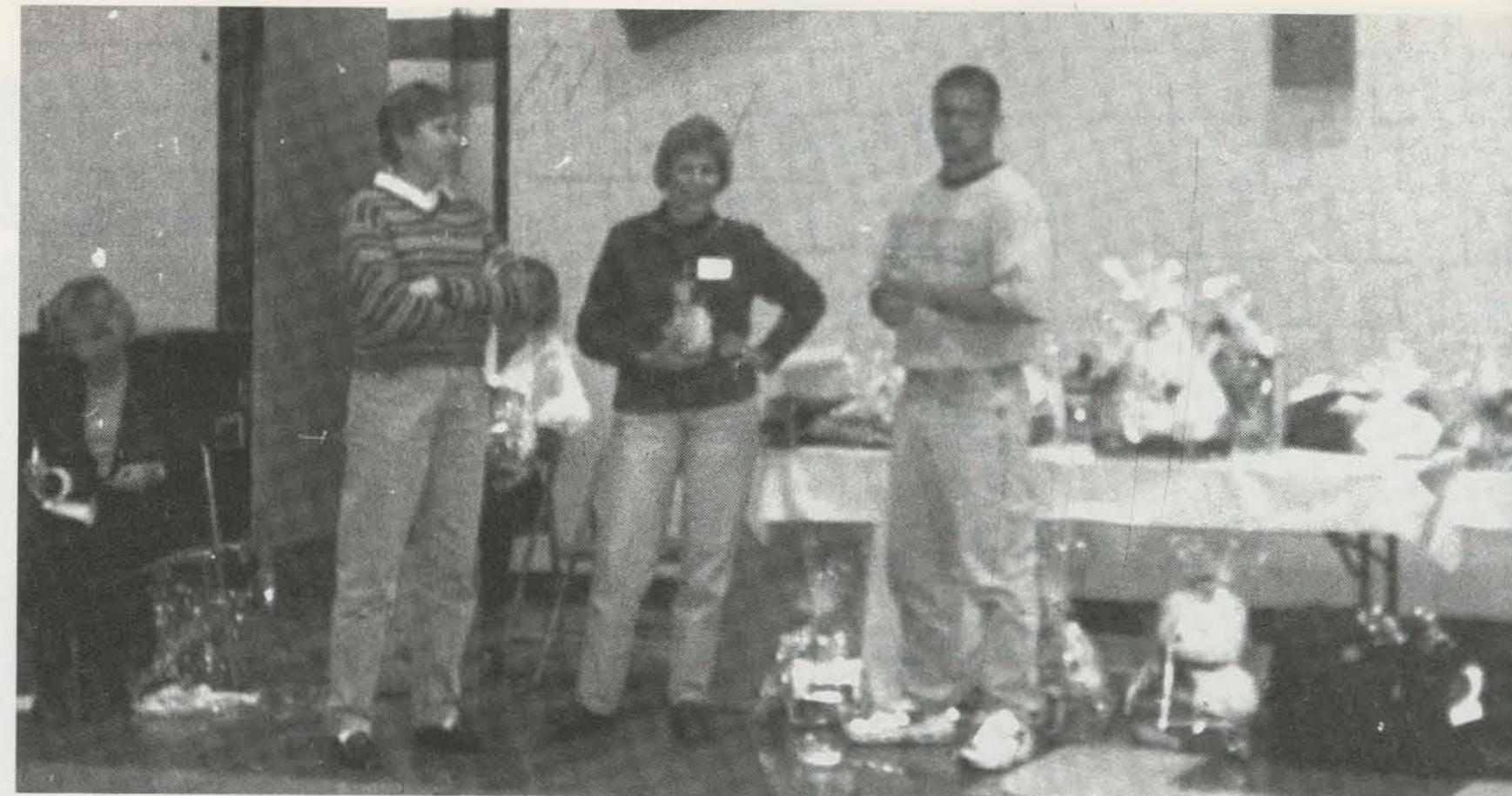
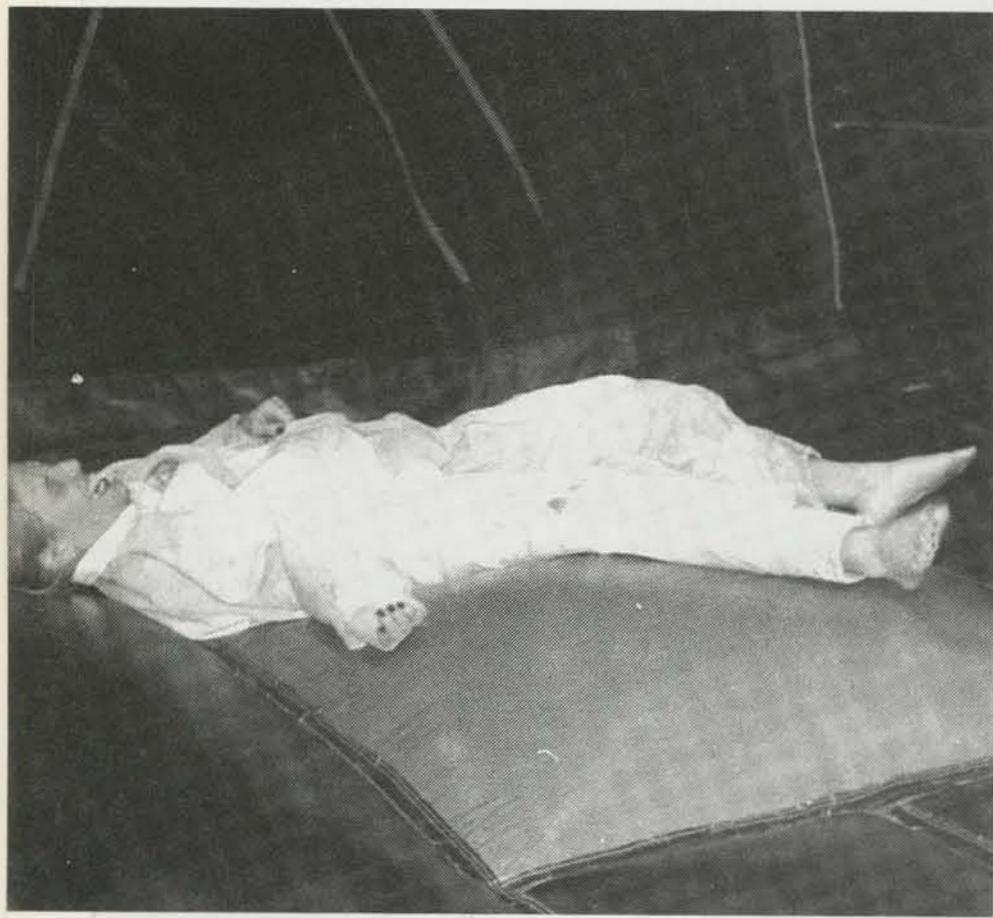
Left: This year's Prom was held at the old Bloomington Junior High School where U-high students danced the night away.



Left: Prom court members Judy Yin and Mark Harris take the first dance along with the other members of the court.

Right: A raffle was held throughout the night's festivities. Winners could accept their prizes toward the back of the large gym.

Below: Junior Bridget Nord laughs at her failed attempt to become a human fly on the velcro wall.



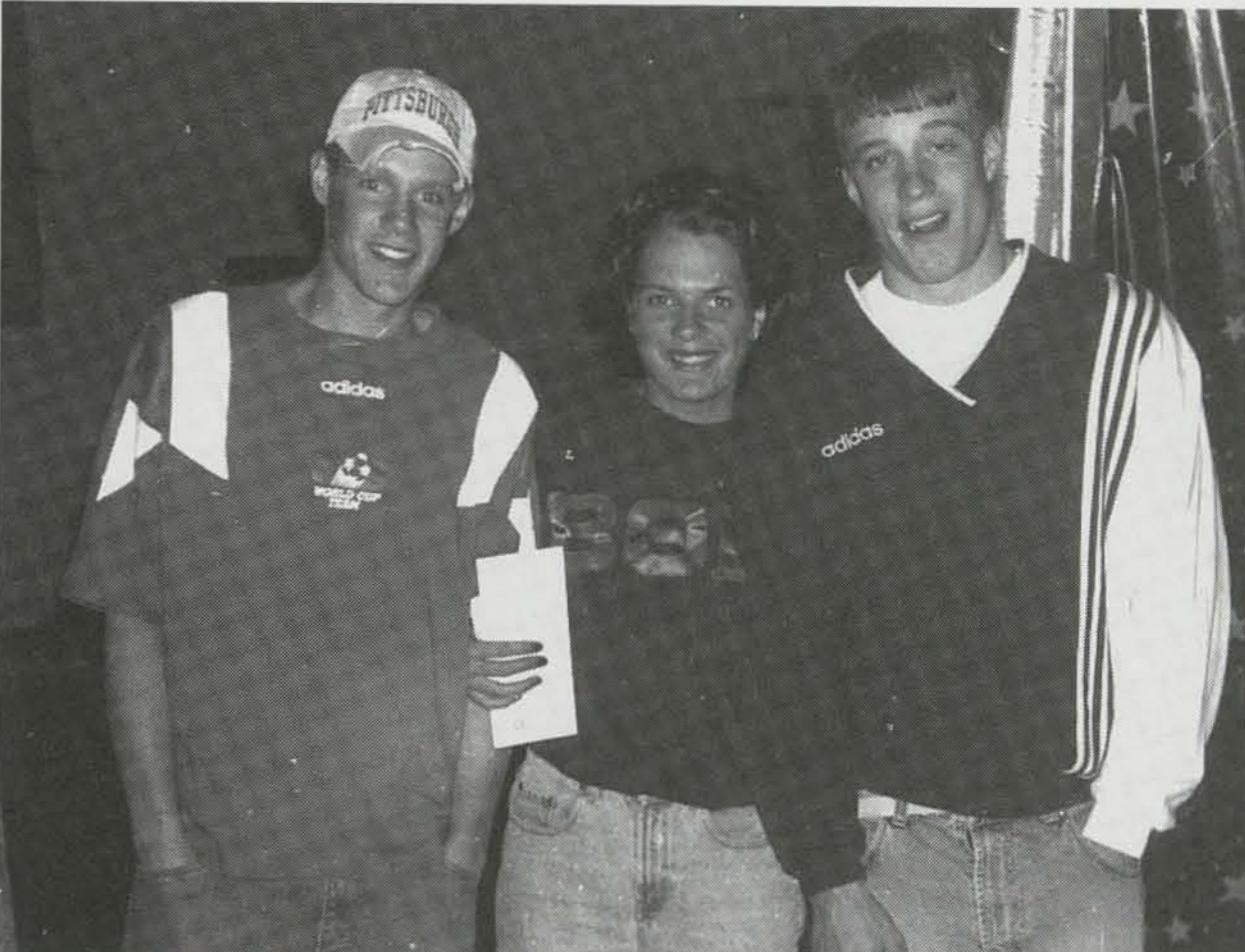
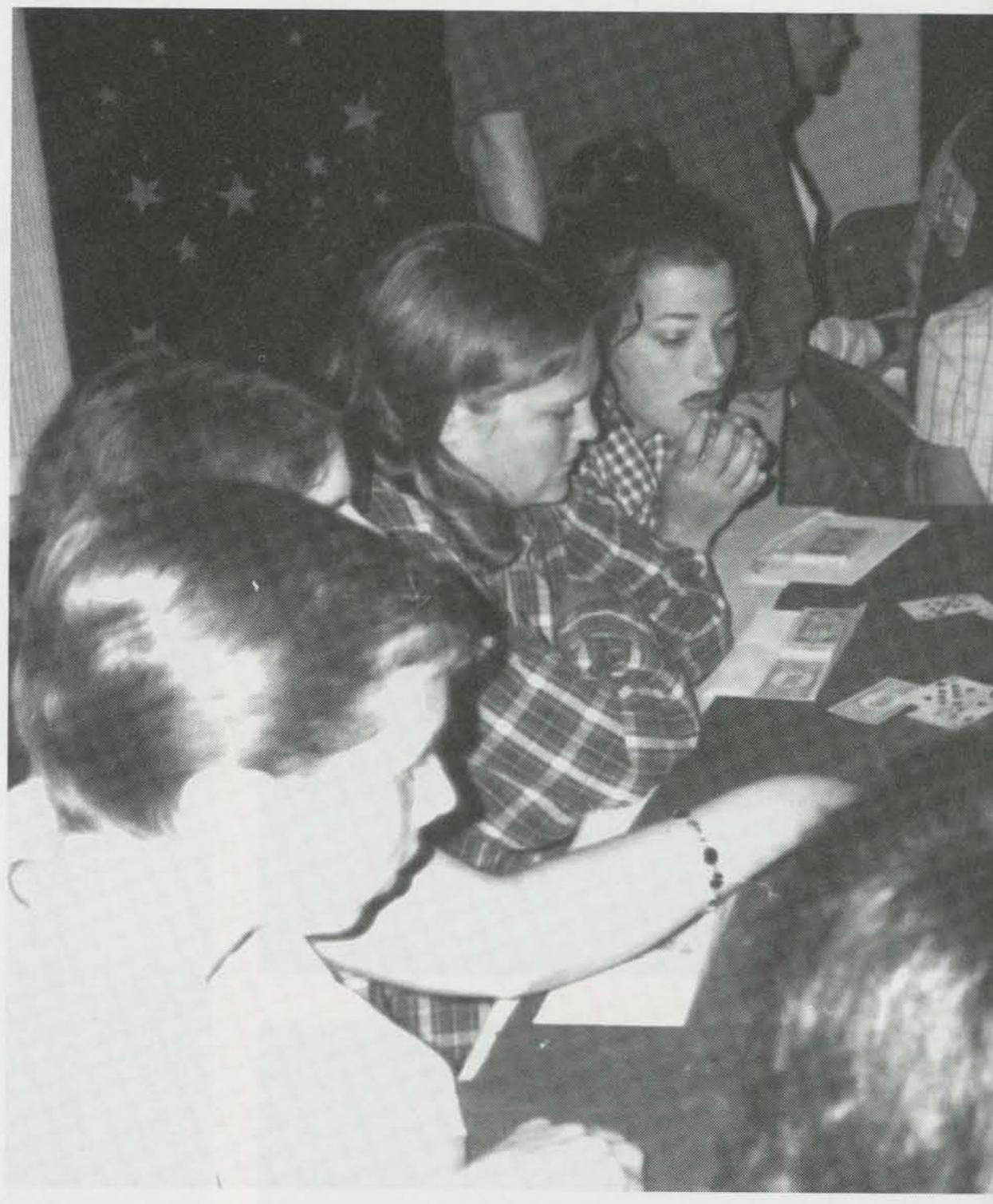
After Prom Revels in Fun

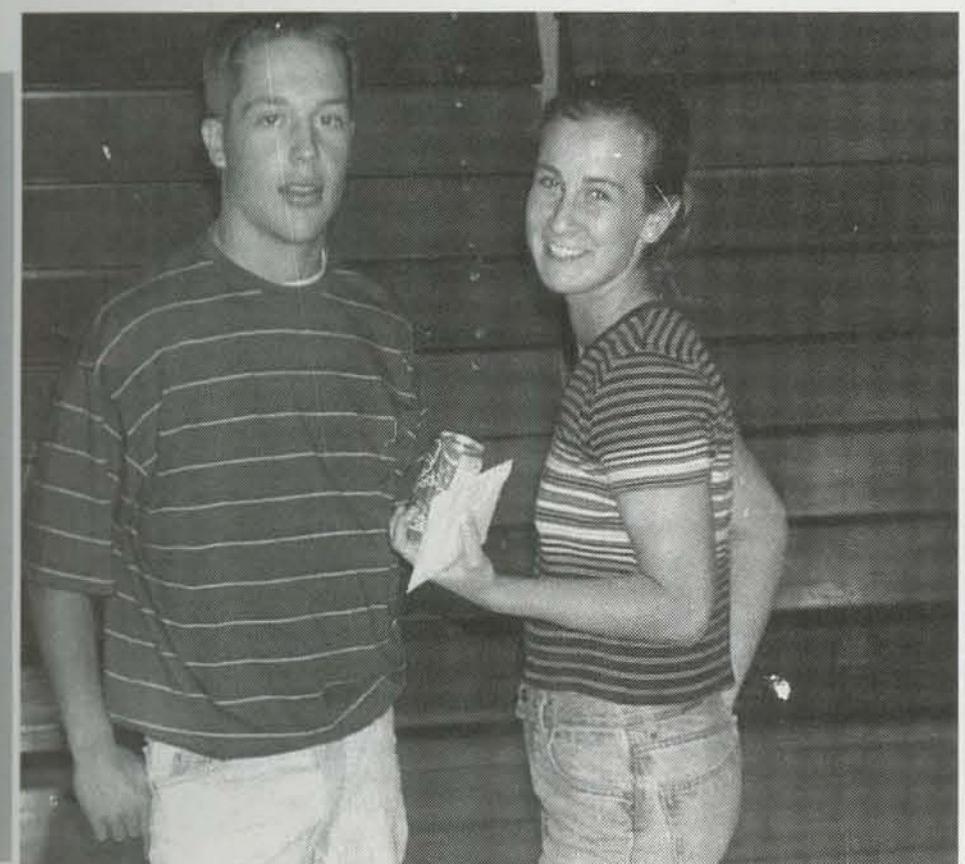
by Dana Grzeskowiak

-high boosters and various junior parents pulled off another great After Prom. This year's festivities took place at our very own U-high. The small gym was transformed into a Caesar's gambling palace where students were encouraged to try their luck at the tables. The large gym was turned into a game gallery varying from a velcro wall to giant boxing. But, of course, the biggest event of the evening was the auction. Students used the play money they earned to bid on items including phones, microwaves, mini refrigerators, and a trip to Six Flags. Everyone agreed that After Prom was a huge success.

Above Right: After Prom patrons study their cards during a game of black jack.

Right: Senior Lindsay Hunt snuggles between junior friends, Neil Beurskens and Jason Halm, after winning a raffle prize.





Left: Juniors Bridget Jones and Jamie Bills relax from the hectic gambling and competitive games to enjoy each other's company.

Above: Juniors Lance McMillan and Joe Whitaker seem to feel a little competitiveness. While tied to a wall with bungee cord, they had to race to reach a slip of paper.

Left:: Sophomore Rebecca Goodwin tried to earn play money the easy way for the auction.

Above Left: Juniors Sarah Johnson, Kristy Corbitt, and Lacey Shirk test their lady luck for the evening

"The Council of Doom, A.K.A. the FIRST program needs to take an extended vacation to Abu Dhabi." -Andy Lahr

Freshmen

Reflections on the Freshmen year

"It's weird how most of the students are more computer literate than the teachers."

-Chad McKittrick

"FIRST is a good idea, executed very poorly."

-Sarah Weiss

"FIRST should be more like Chex. Mmmm... Chex."

-Justin Stanley

"I categorically deny all charges against me."

-David Manjarrez

Rehan Ahmed
Nicholas Anderson
Rosalie Anderson
Tania Aung
Elizabeth Baar

Micah Baird
Emily Baldoni
Julie Ballard
Patricia Basolo
April Bates

Timothy Beccue
Allison Beck
Katie Beer
Lottie Bergstrom
Jennifer Blass

Nathan Brent
Jennifer Brown
Ryan Bustle
Andrew Cain
Kellie Carter

Restructuring F.I.R.S.T.:

The Flash Program

Below: Katie Beer, Katija Meghji, Sarah Powell, and Isabel Reyes enjoy a hearty meal of Campbell's soup.



University High School's Project FIRST began its fourth year this year, making U-High a school composed purely of FIRST students and FIRST graduates.

Changes in FIRST this year included the removal and addition of certain projects, blending together classes more often for interdisciplinary learning, integrating project time into classes, and less homework during project periods.

This year Freshmen were introduced to a new program, FLASH (Freshmen Learning Advanced Study Habits) which developed from FIRST. It allowed students to fulfill afternoon credit requirements and gave students without the self-discipline to take seven courses an opportunity for learning.

The first of the two tiers of FLASH consisted of a study skills seminar. Students received tutoring, worked in groups, used the time as a study hall, or learned different methods of studying. The second tier provided mini-courses that allowed study in personal interests and various hands on activities.



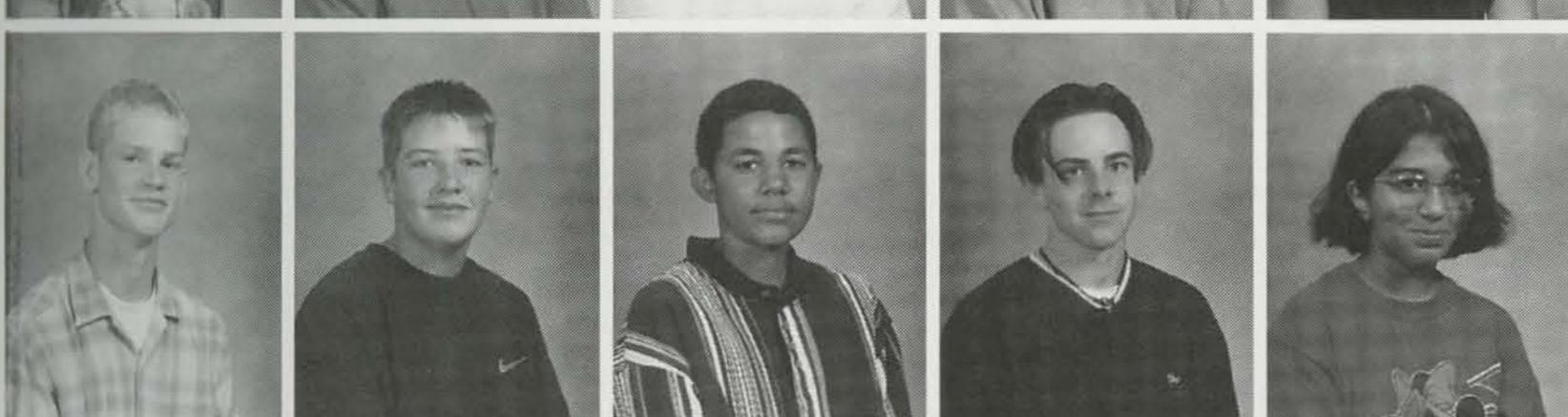
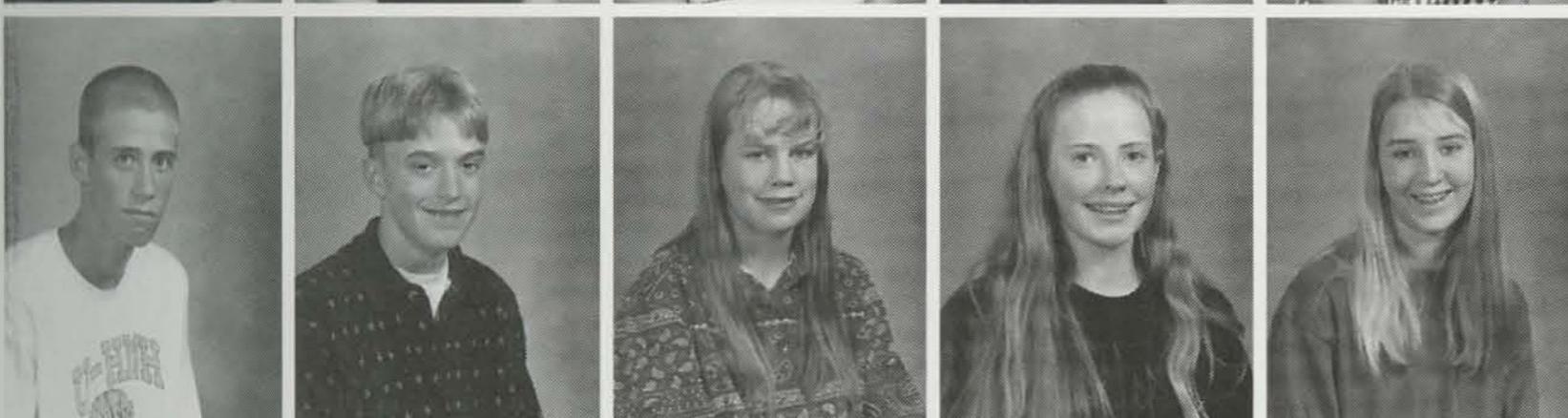
Reflections of Reality: Freshmen Art

Below: Hippopotamus in stipple ink style by Eric Hajek



Above: Tiger-rabbit by Eric Illif

Right: Iguana by Micah Baird



Question:

Do you have any odd personal sayings?

"Ajabubu"

-Josh Weckesser

"It's like an icebreaker if no one else can think of something to say, you can just say it."

-Josh Weidner

"Snotballs and cheap liquor. That's what I say when I'm mad."

-Kristie Gerdes

"Stellar,dude! It's like awesome."

-David Prochnow

Matthew Casselman
Janie Chan
Anna Chiodo
Marcus Cicciu
Jillian Cogan

"Snipple-Snapple or Pickle-Puss." If called this "you're like a brat or a jerk."

-Kellie Carter

Kevin Corcoran
Daniel Cottone
Rachel Crider
Samantha Dawson
Anne Dennewitz

"The bombing chickens. It's kinda like if something's funny."

-Maggie Saluto

Roberta Dizon
Thomas Elmore
Olivia Finnegan
Aaron Fleisher
Crystal Foreman

"Flying Flapjacks. If there's a fight going on in your family or you can't say stuff because your parents are around." Like a signal to stop talking about a subject.

-Sarah Kelley

Kiel Foster
Jeffrey Fritzen
Anthony Fulford
Jeremy Fuson
Sumudu Gamage

"All my clothes are paint clothes."

-Elizabeth Kalmbach

Rebecca Garrett
Jennifer Geisler
Kristie Gerdes
Sarah Gibson
Hina Gilani

Nicholas Gleason
Emilee Graves
Brian Hajek
Jennifer Hall
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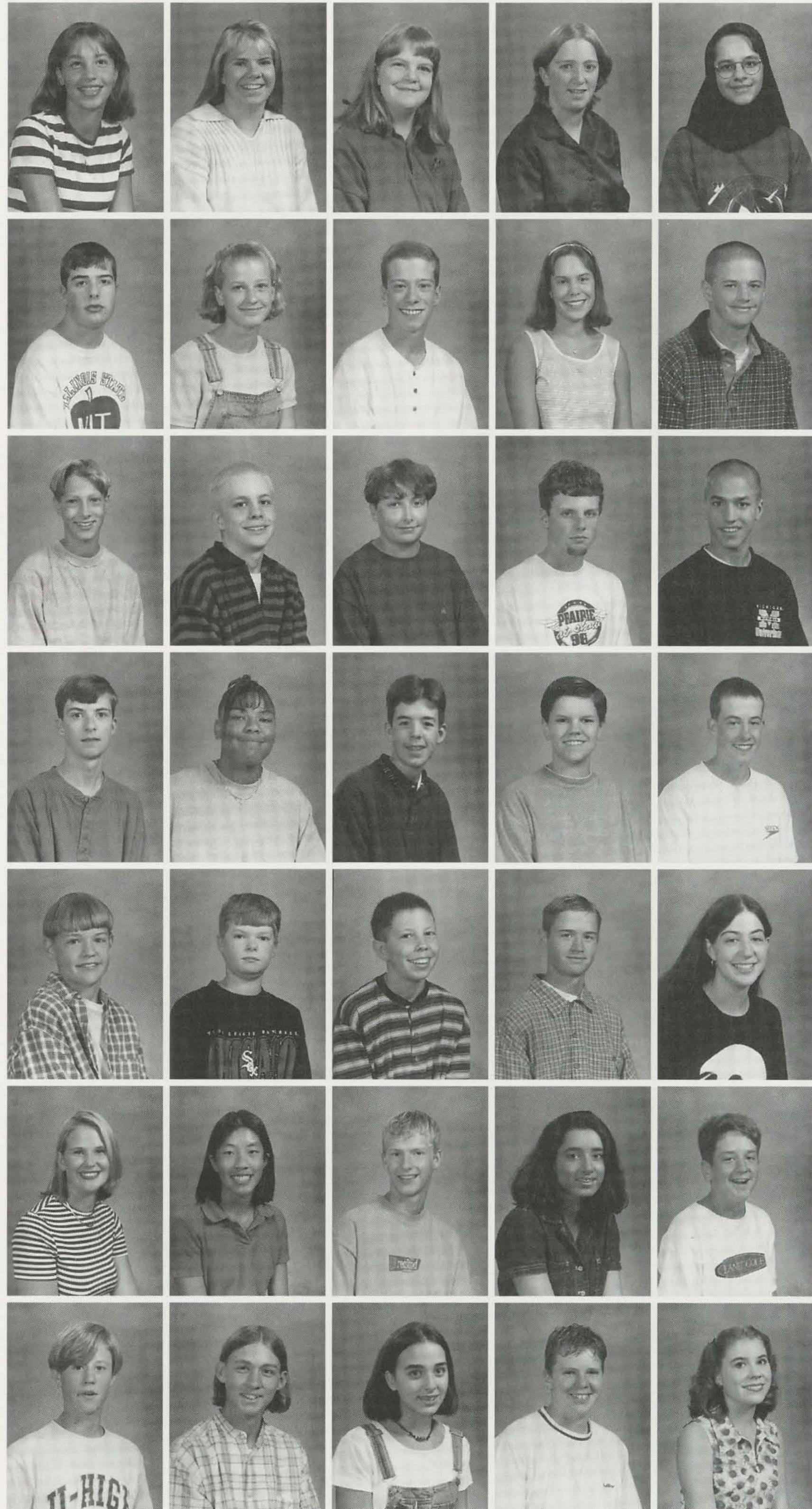
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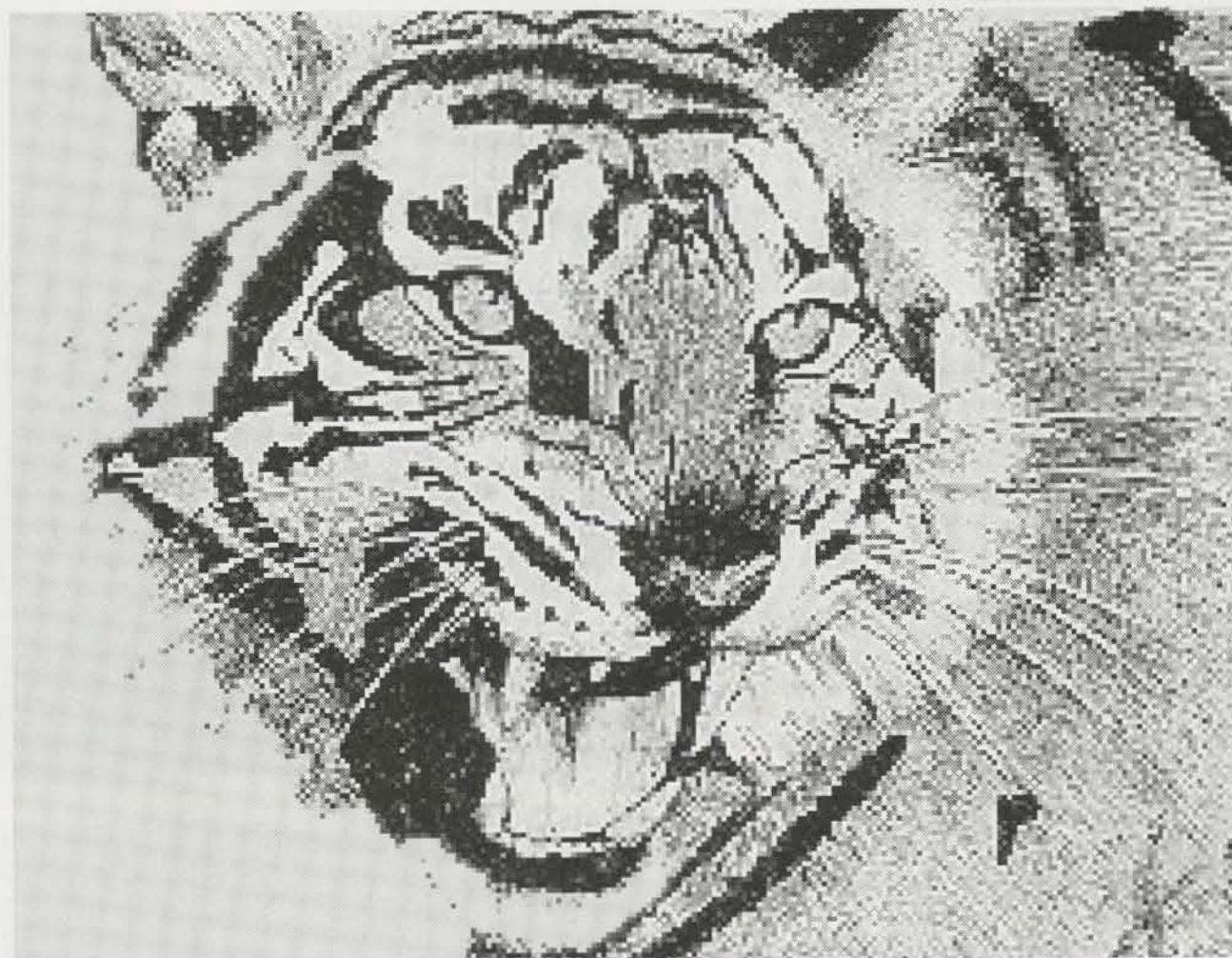


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Left: Ink drawing of a monkey yawning by Stefanie Lovelass

Below: Tiger in ink by Megan Turnis

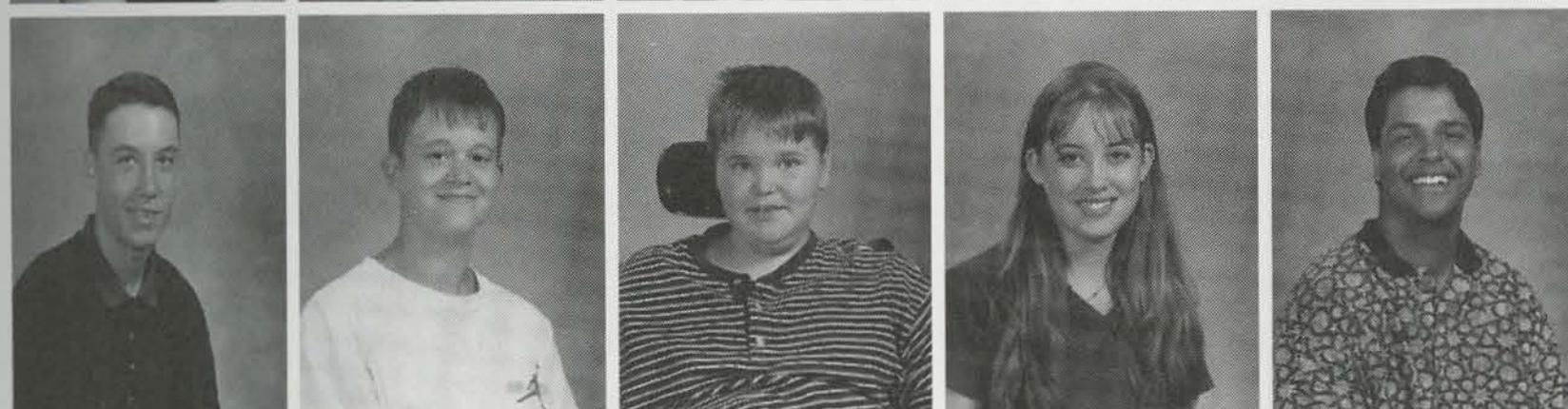
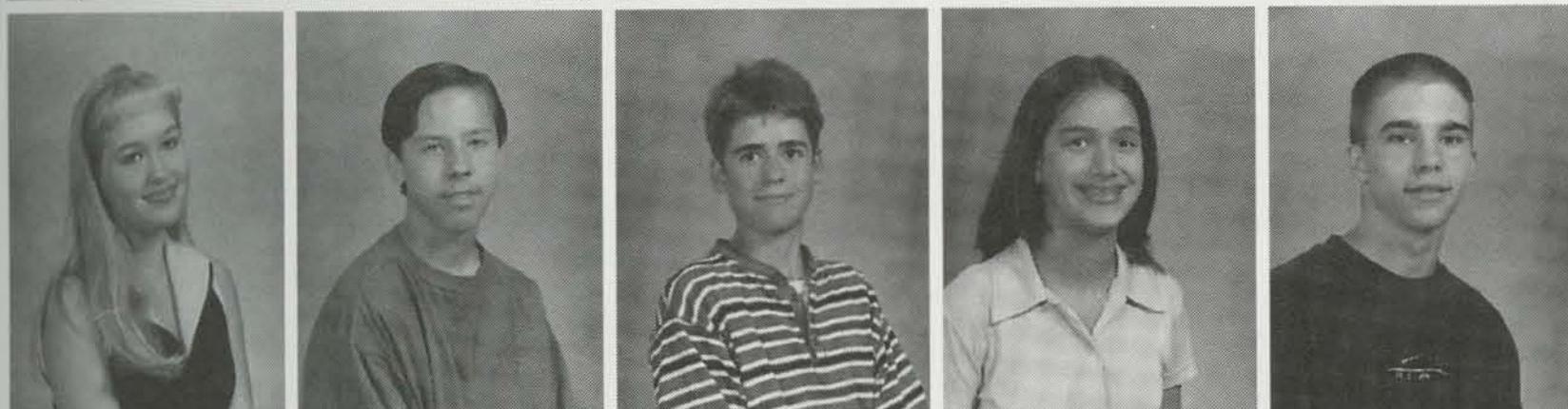
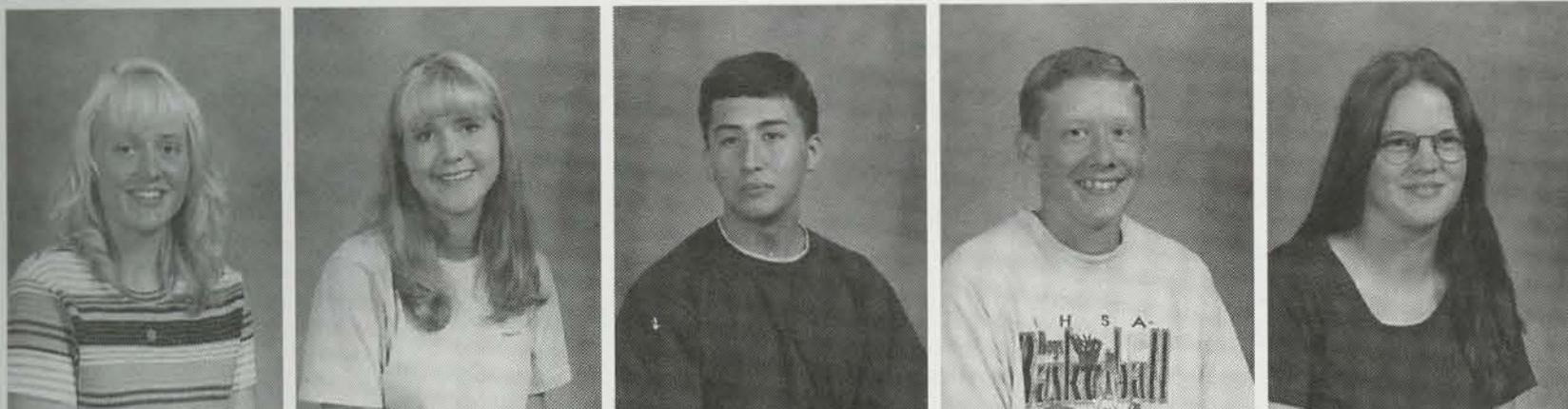
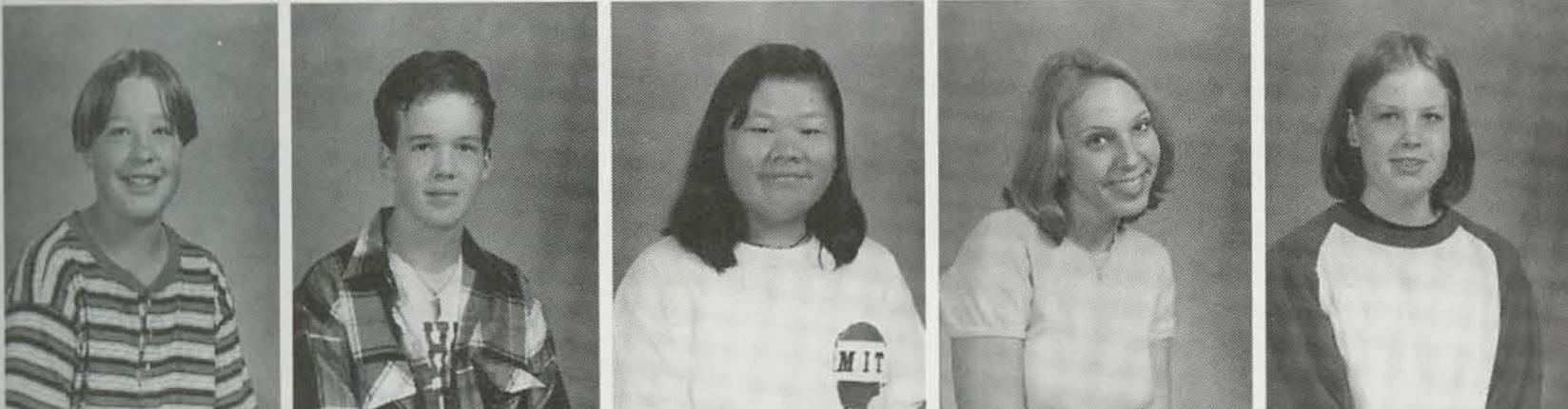


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Brigid McBride

Brooke McCollam
Chad McKittrick
Joseph McMahon
Khatija Meghji
Jacob Meismer

Thomas Menning
Keith Middleton
Brandon Miller
Jessica Moody
Neel Mookerjee



The Great Granola Heist

Everyone's high school career is unique, but four Freshmen desperation began that career in crime.

Josh Weidner was sitting in the Lounge, when his "friends," Eric Illif, Adam Jeckel, Josh Weckesser, and Lamar Shingles, conspired against him to steal his granola bar. Weckesser placed a Fruit Roll-up sticker on Weidner, and when everyone began to laugh, he believed they were laughing at his joke. After Jeckel stole the granola bar, Weidner began to look around, even in trash cans, then was told it was flushed down the toilet. The granola bar was placed in Weckesser's locker, number 2266, where it remained for several months.

Jeremy Morrow
Jodi Naffziger
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Alaexandra O'Neil
Celina Padavil

Christopher Pederson
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Lorelei Penn
Jamie Peregoy
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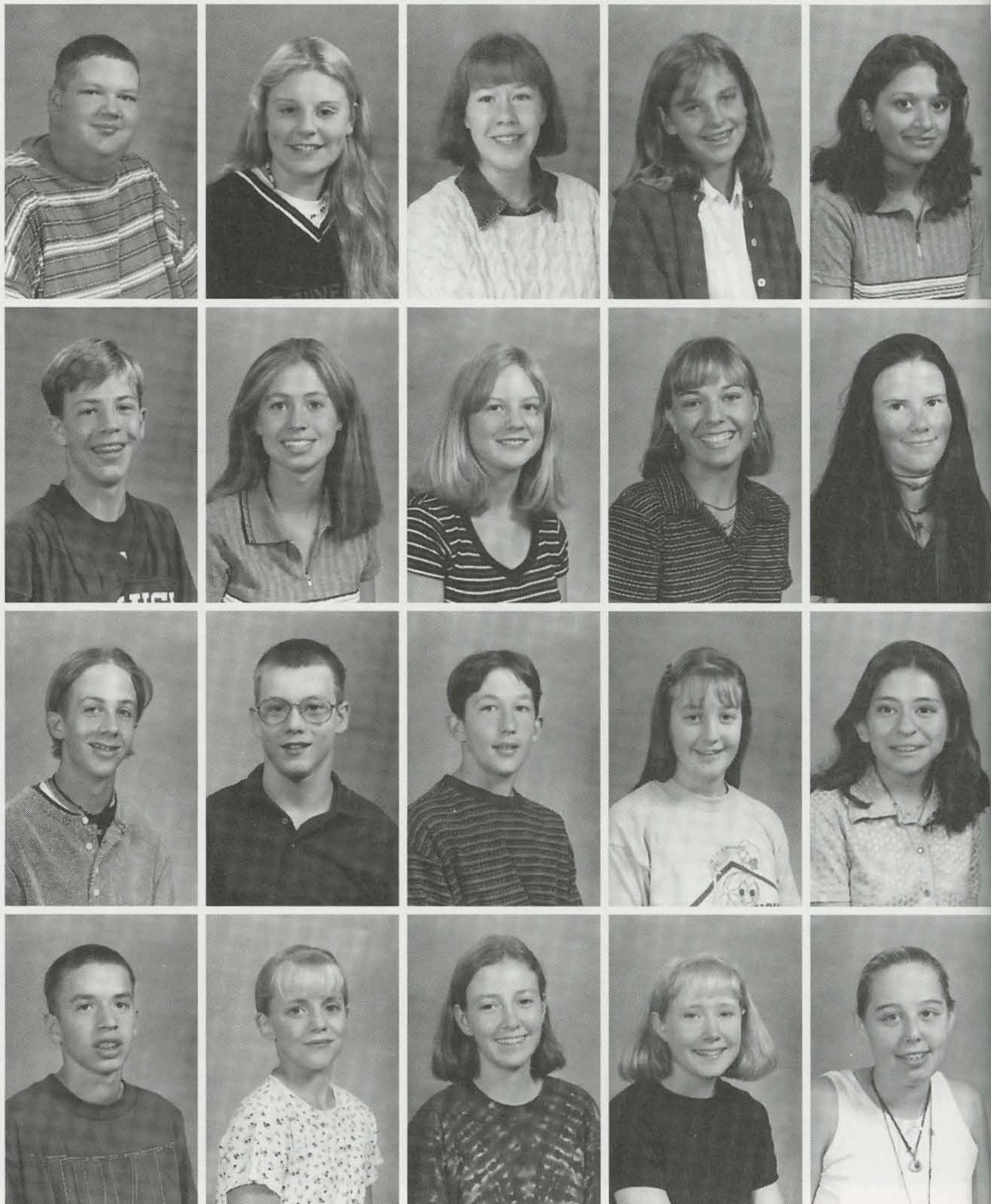
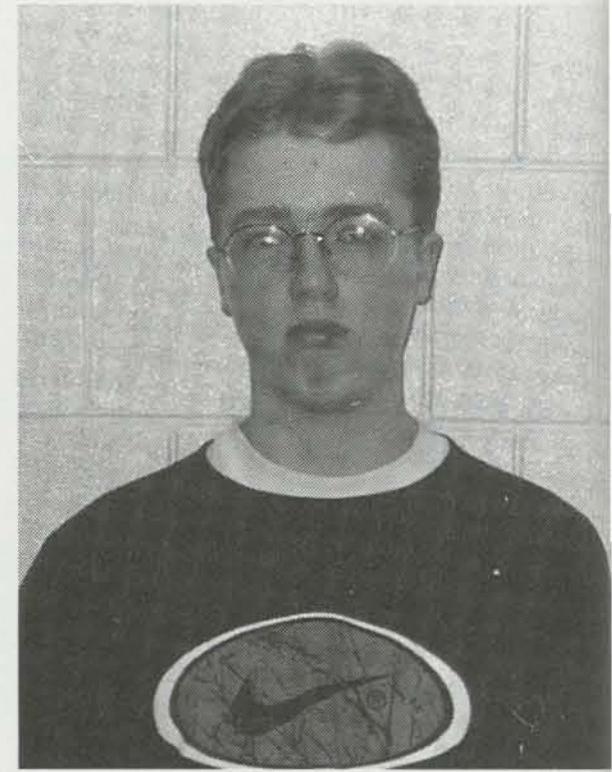
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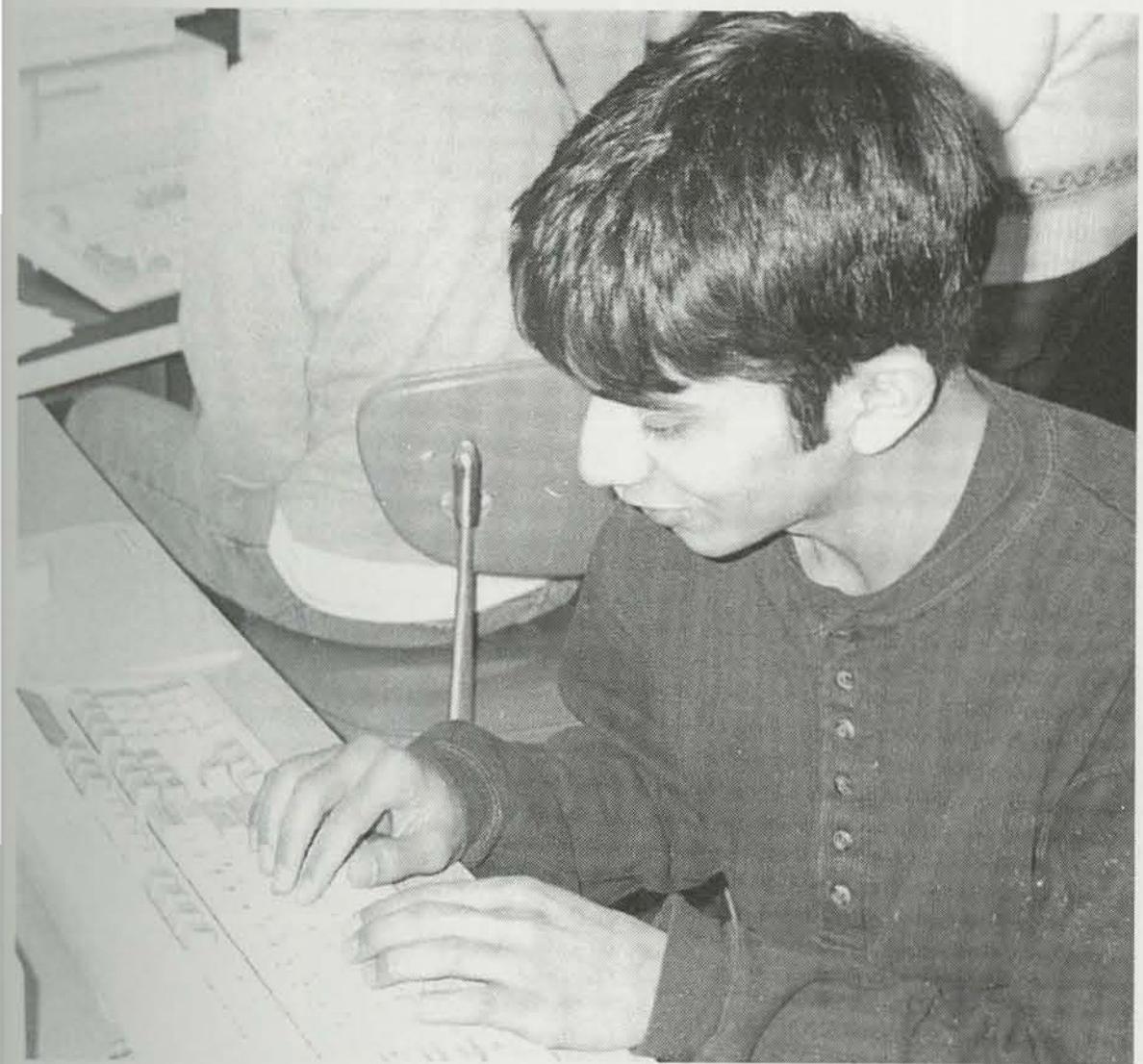
Below: The four criminals, Eric Illif, Adam Jeckel, Josh Weckesser, and Lamar Shinglesstand here with the stolen goods in the evidence bag used by school authorities. Authorities could not be reached for comment.



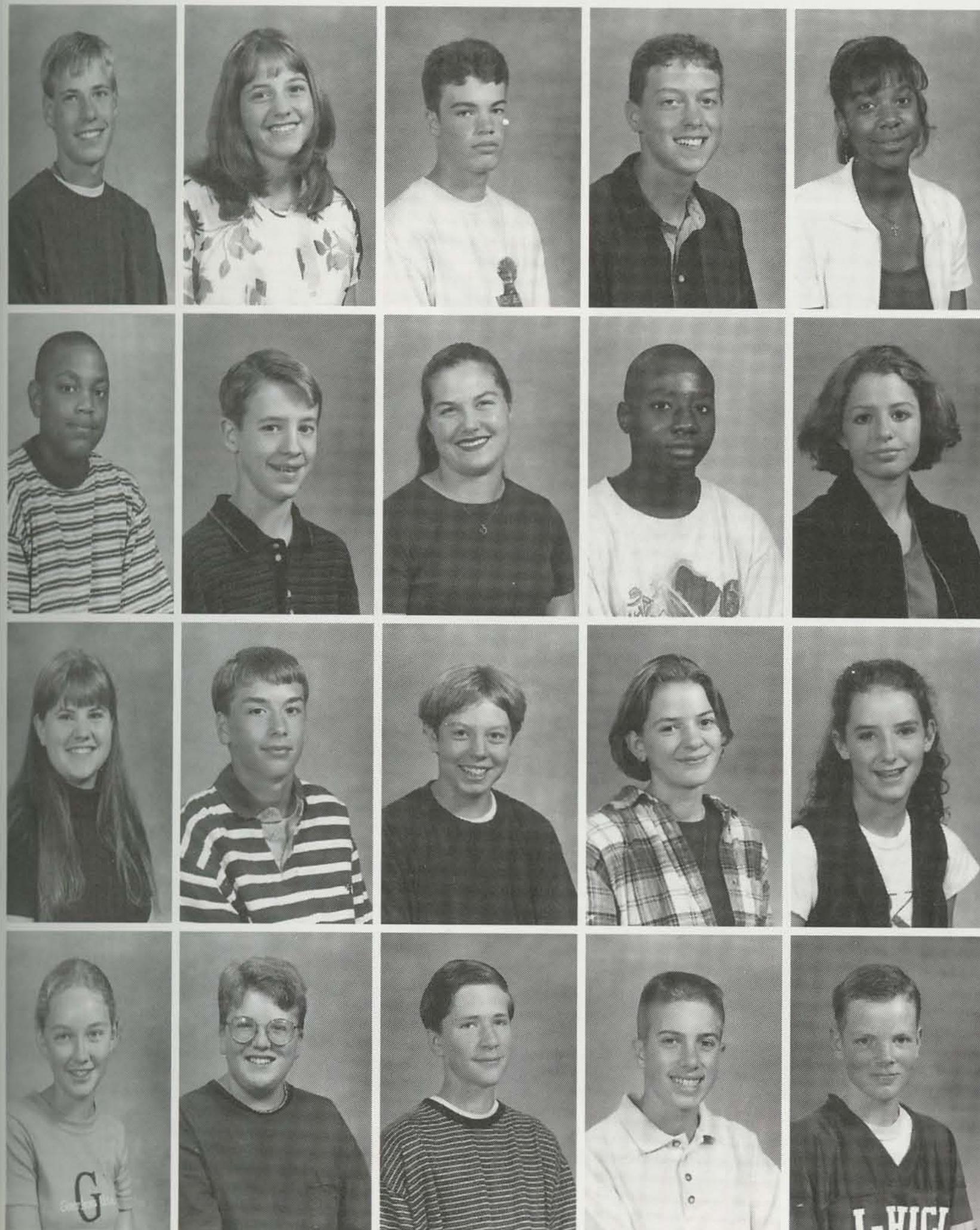
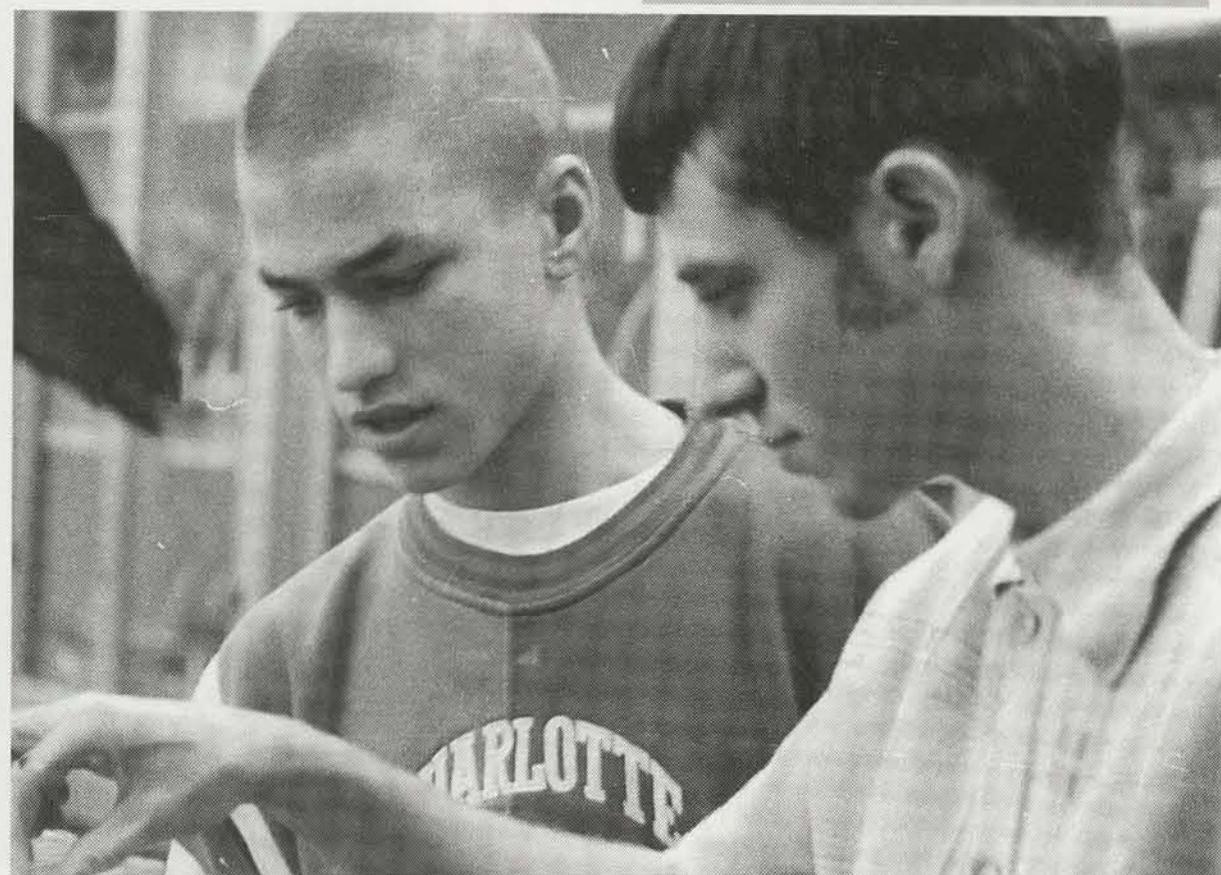
Below: Josh Weidner sulks pitifully after the loss of his granola bar. After searching through six lunch bags in a trash can, all he could say was, "Do they still have it?"



Below: Science - Well, well, it looks like the dynamic duo are at it again. In the secret biology lab of Mr. Virlee's class, Chase Hilgenbrinck and Jeff Yeagle team up to explore the simpler creatures of the Earth.



Below: Rehan Achmed was a common sight in the library with other computer literates, checking e-mail and having other fun with the University servers. The back bank of computers in the library were turned off in the middle of the year, yet turned back on again after spring break, with newer computers.



Justin Schaffer
Teresa Schmidt
Brian Schulz
Ryan Shaw
Carley Shinault

Lamar Shingles
Andrew Shirk
Jessica Shoemaker
Iaasac Simpson
Anna Smith

Nicole Smith
Trent Smith
Marcus Snyder
Sarah Snyder
Amanda Sparks

Agnieszka Stadnik
Justin Stanley
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Matthew Styczynski
Bret Swanson

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Angela Teegarden
Sarah Thomason
Robert Turner
Meghan Turnis

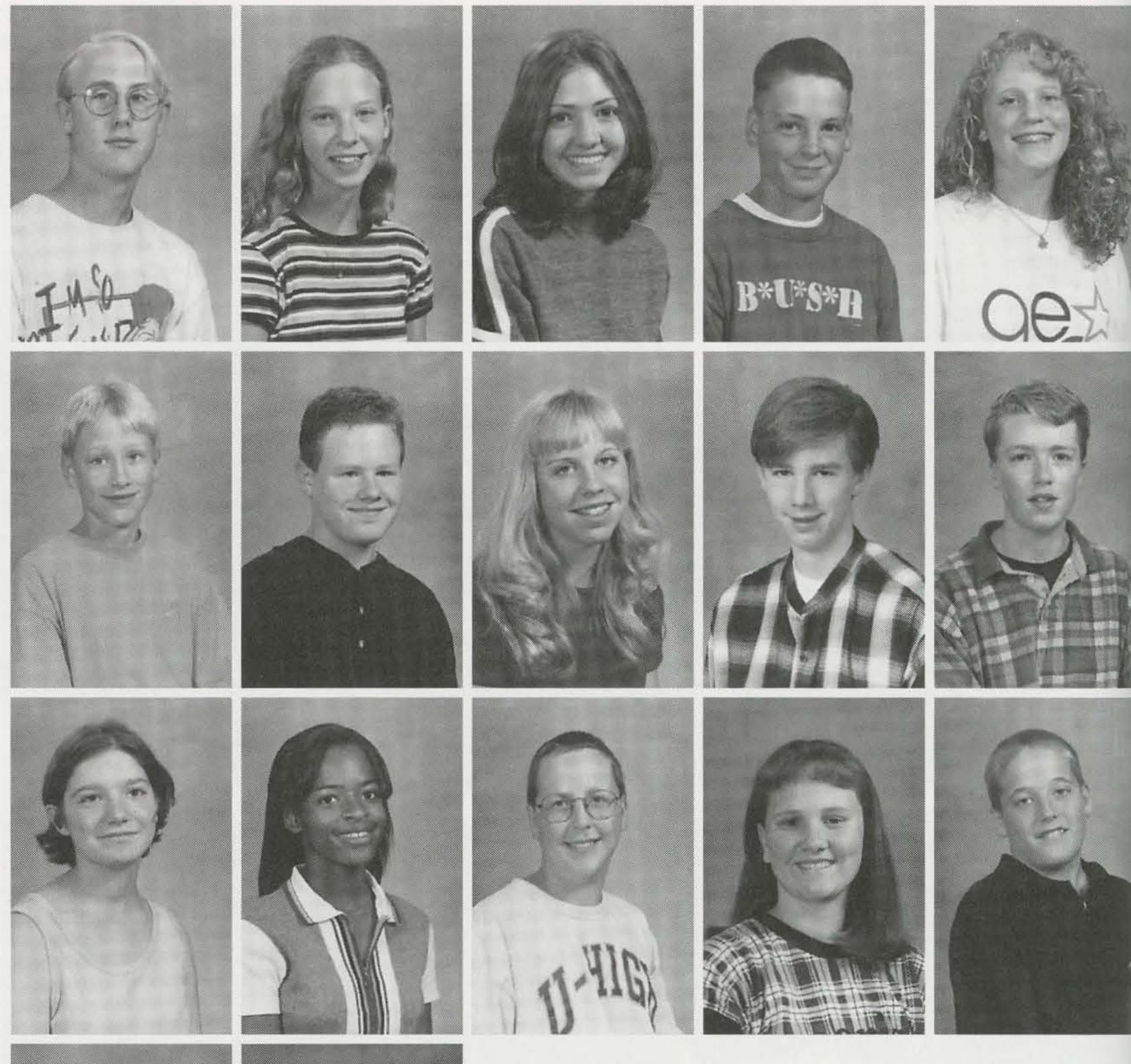
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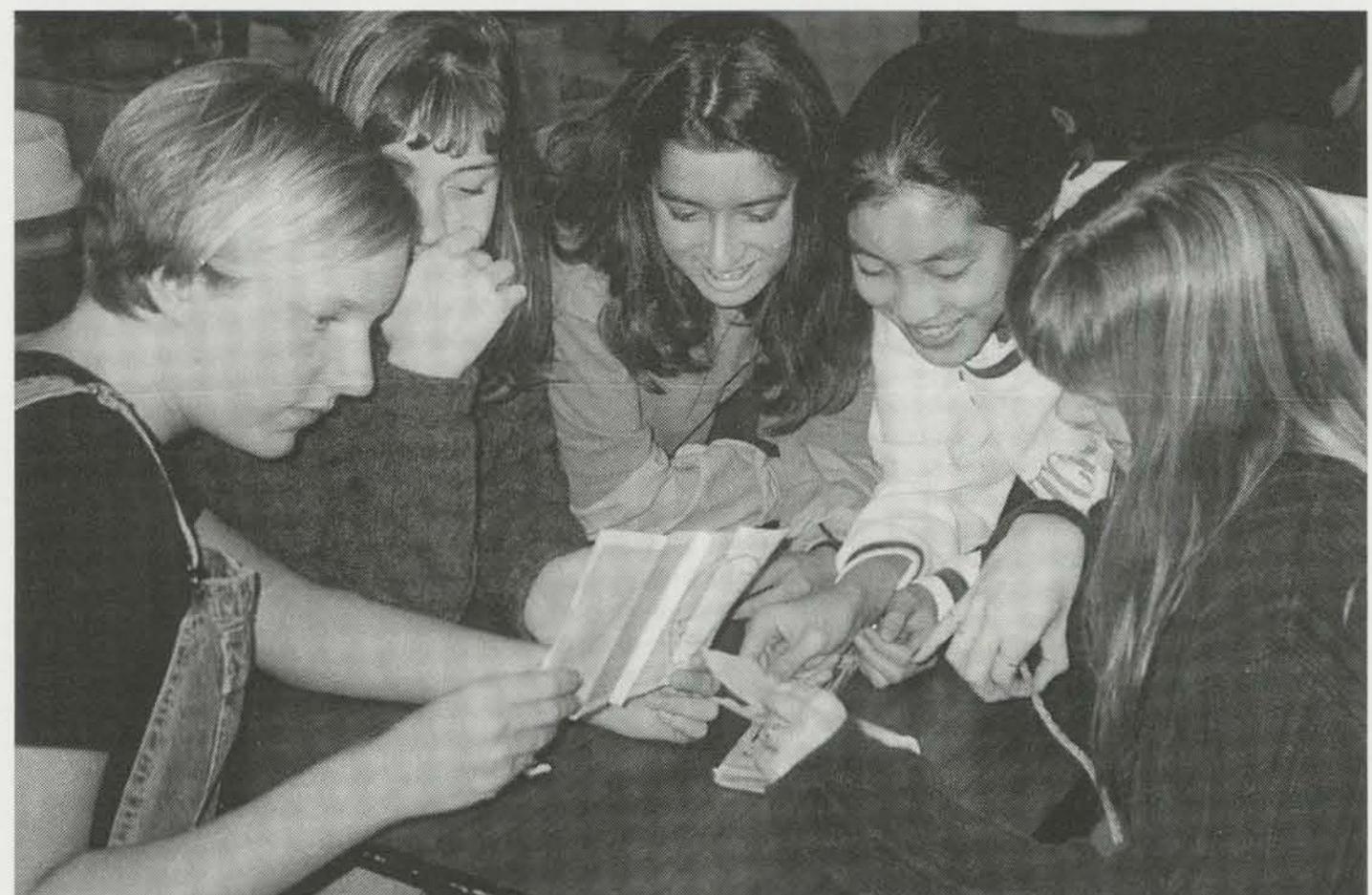
Michael Yeagle
Hannah Zwanzig

Love is in the Air

The groundhog missed its shadow, ushering in an early spring, and the students of U-High caught a little spring fever early, with the annual Computer Fun love survey and matchings. Students filled out single and couple questionnaire forms at the end of January, prepared to learn who their true love was. The results arrived just in time for Valentine's Day (which, contrary to popular belief, is not the reason for us getting February 12th off.) The results were listed in the categories of school, class, and national sweethearts. Each list cost one dollar.



Freshmen



Above: Down in the Lounge, many students looked over their love surveys. Katie Mahnke, Teresa Schmidt, Sophie Khan, Lynda Ken, and Betsy Baar, all gape at a stranger's results.

Re-inventing Local History

The F.I.R.S.T. project taught presentation skills, teamwork, writing skills, among other things. "It taught us to research more than what we were used to," as James Junis put it.

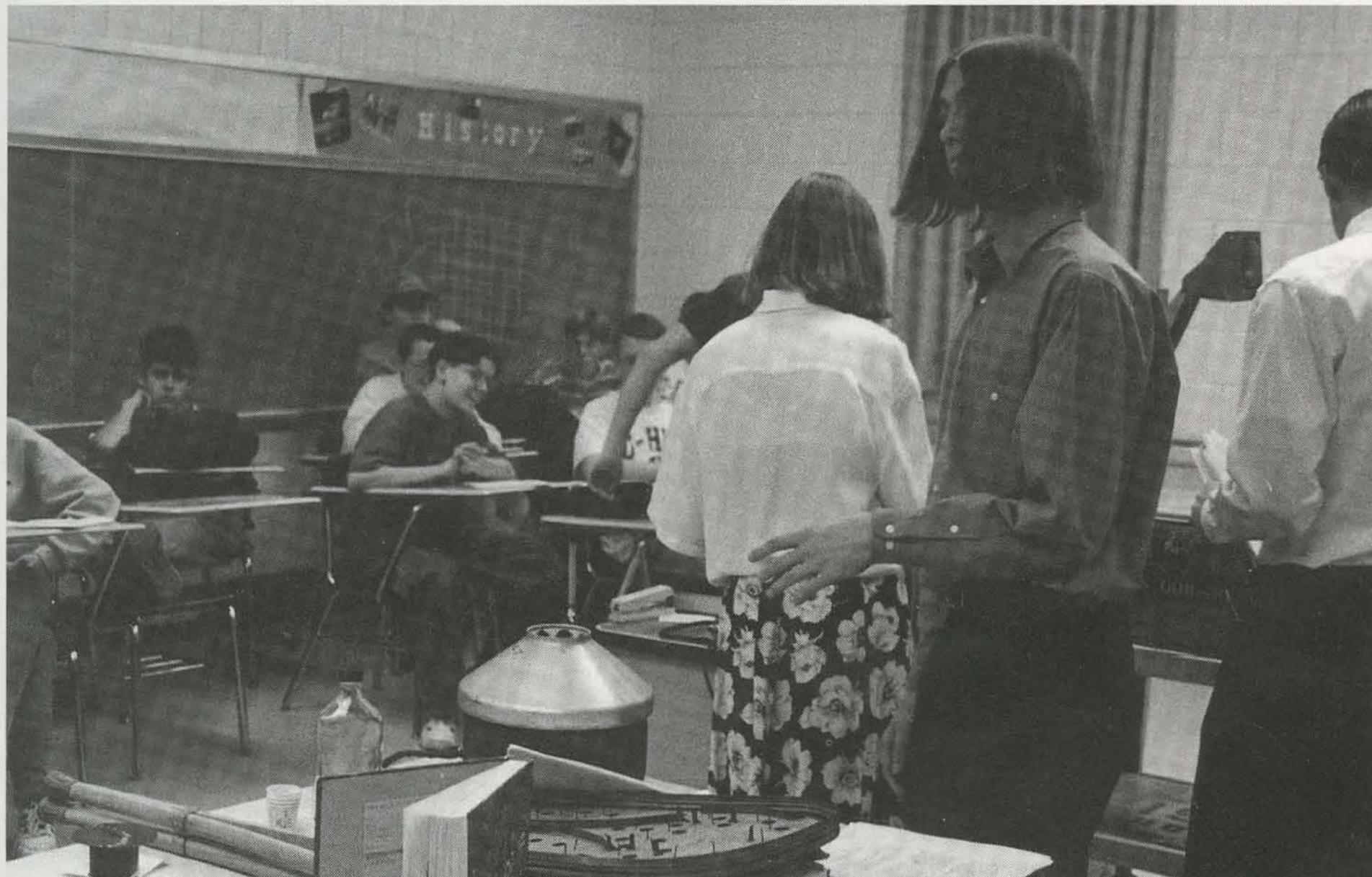
One of the largest and favorite projects of the year was the McLean County project, which allowed students to take an aspect of McLean County history and work in groups

to develop a presentation about 20 minutes long. Topics ranged from the Illinois Shakespeare Festival to the Nestle-Beich chocolate factory.

The project integrated the Social Sciences, English, and, depending upon the possible topics, any of the F.I.R.S.T. courses. In Social Science all aspects of McLean County were discussed concerning its history from the Ice Ages to

modern day history. "I liked the McLean County project, I thought that it was interesting, and I liked learning about the Ice Ages," commented Renny McBride.

However, one major lesson also came out of this project that helped to set the tone for further projects. "Don't work with your friends," as Hina Gilani and Katie Meghji said in unison. Many other students agreed on this point.



Above: Sara Roper, Andy Lahr, and Matt Stephens explain to students the importance the Illinois Soldiers and Sailor's Children's Home in McLean County history. Oddly enough, many U-Hgh alumni were orphans from the home.

Sophomore

What song or movie describes your sophomore year?

"Ransom, because it makes you want to pee at the end."

-Kristin Cann, Kelly Beer
and Tina Gruszynski

"Reality Bites."

-Pegah Hemmassi

"It's the End of the World As We Know It, by REM."

-Flip

Adeyemi Adelekan
Brandon Albee
Nicole Anthony
Molly Archer
Katherine Augspurger

Alexis Bair
Abigail Bateman
Phillip Beale
Kelly Beer
Matthew Bell

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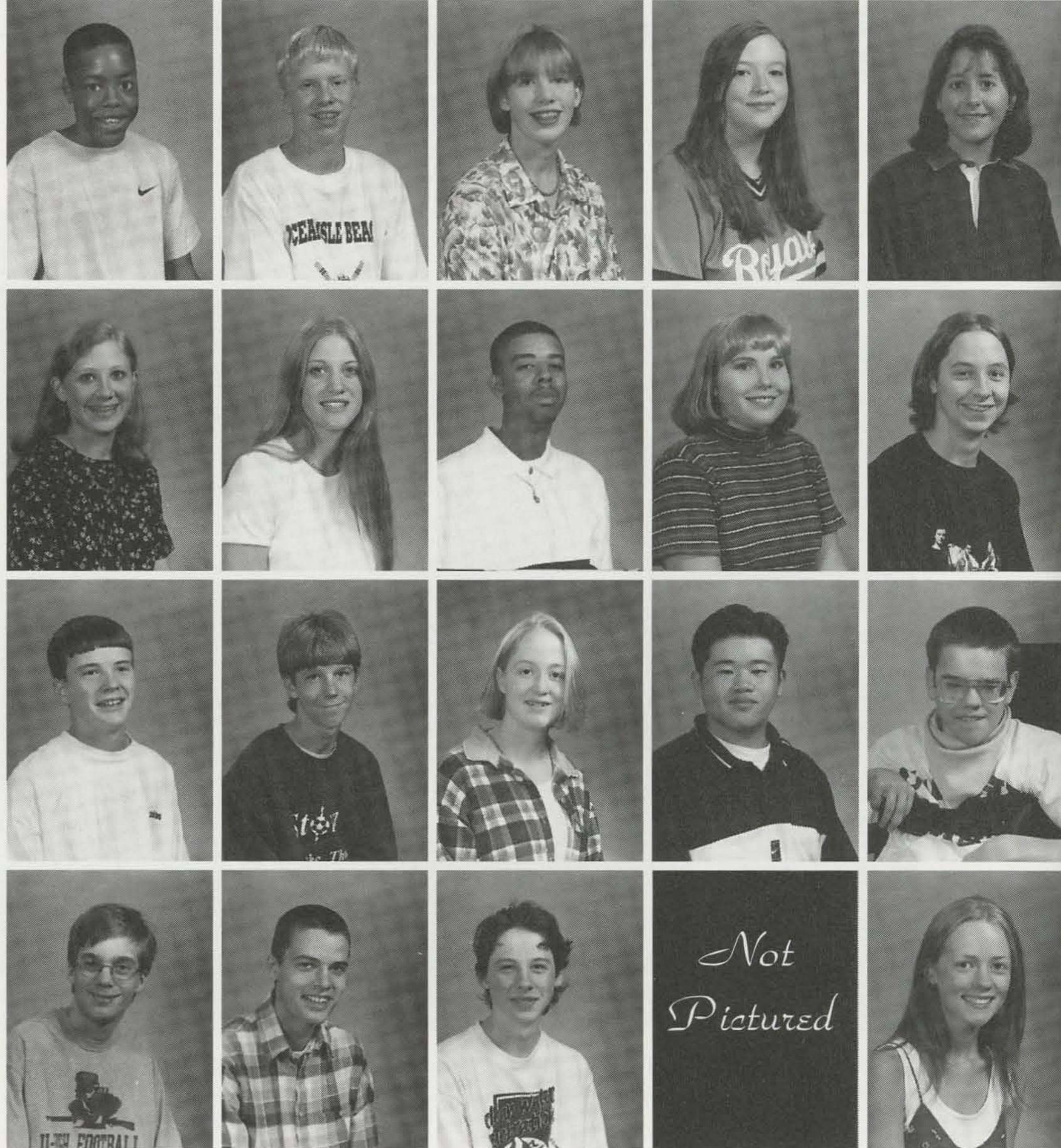
Re-Entering the Human Race

All of the sophomores who were here last year remember the required program for freshmen, FIRST. The fact that it was required does not mean that we had to enjoy it. In fact, the large majority of sophomores who went through FIRST are still in denial. J McCullough confirmed this, "FIRST never actually existed. It was a conspiracy and it all lasted in my head." McCullough claims he is still paying his therapy bills.

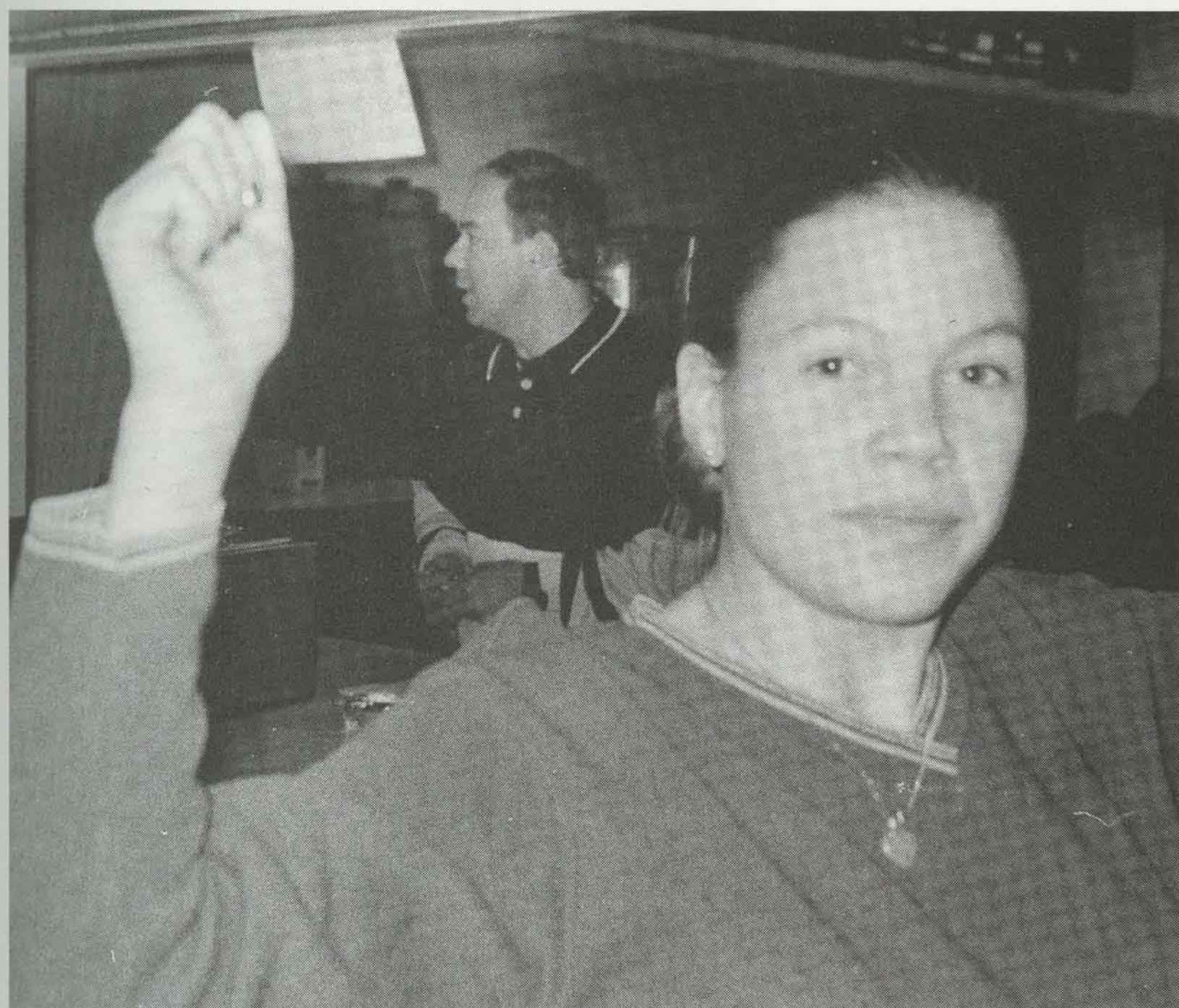
Jill Wilson thinks that "the FIRST program was a very good idea, but there wasn't enough time to plan it in the very beginning. It didn't have the foundation for a successful program. Kind of like communism: it works in theory, but sucks in life."

Alissa VanDeBossche thinks that "FIRST doesn't prepare you for choosing your classes, it separates you from the rest of the freshmen, and it doesn't allow you to know the upperclassmen." All of the sophomores seem to agree: FIRST doesn't cut it.

Katie Augspurger said that "FIRST prepared me more for grade school than for my sophomore year," and TJ Crusius said that he learned more in his first quarter of his "sophomore year than in the entire year of FIRST." "Anything is better than FIRST," commented Tim Holbrook, and Pegah Hemmassi said that she "felt more grown-up as a junior high child than a freshman in high school." The general consensus agrees: "The sophomore year is a hell of a lot better than FIRST."



Below: Becca Goodwin celebrates the good news that her Jazz band practice is cancelled, due to the bad weather. Mr. Christenson became one of Becca's favorite teachers after he delivered the news.



Just Say Yeah!

Due to the bad weather this winter, a lot of U-High events were cancelled. The first big snow brought the cancellation of all after-school activities. Rumors of Dr. Coolican's attempts at cancelling school the next day spread rapidly, and students grew anxious awaiting the news. Students' hopes were fulfilled the next morning. Several days later, another twelve inches covered the previous blanket of snow, once again arousing the hopes that school would be cancelled. Alas, the administration let us down.

Mark Campbell
Kristin Cann
Fenton Chan
Ted Chao
Jonathan Choi

Andria Cottone
Joseph Cox
T.J. Crusius
Jessica Cumpston
Antonia Cunningham

Jared Dalcourt
Eric Diaz
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Michael Ducett
Sarada Duvvuri

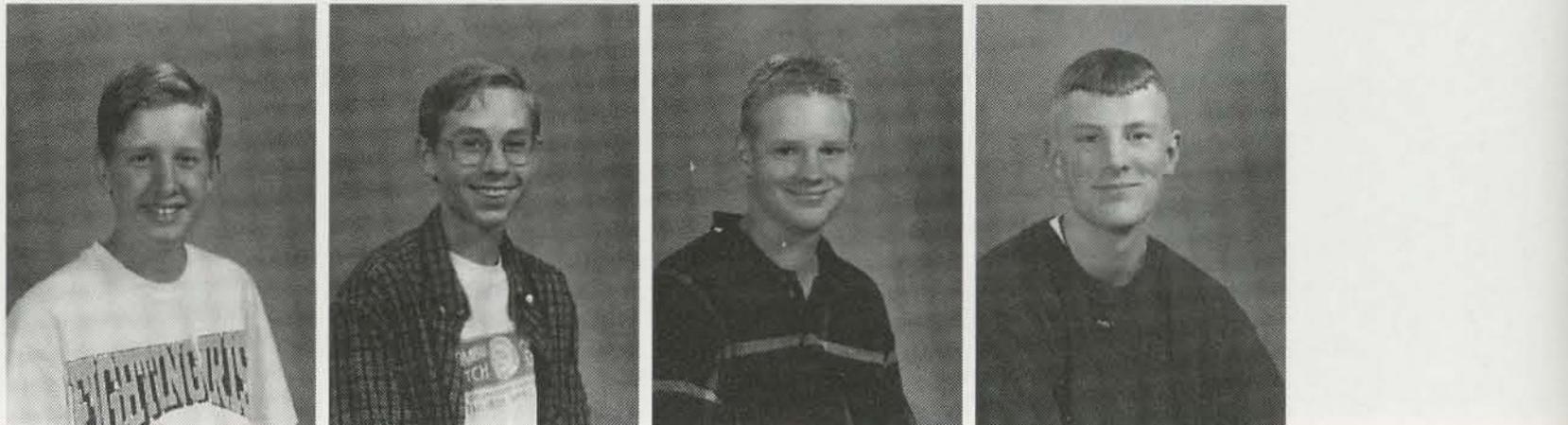
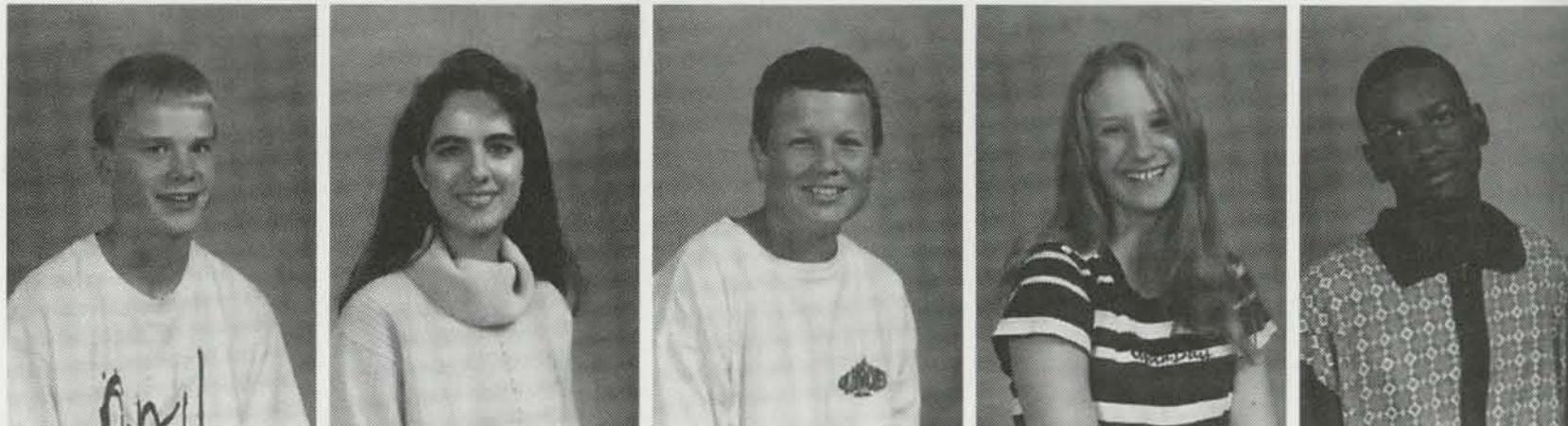
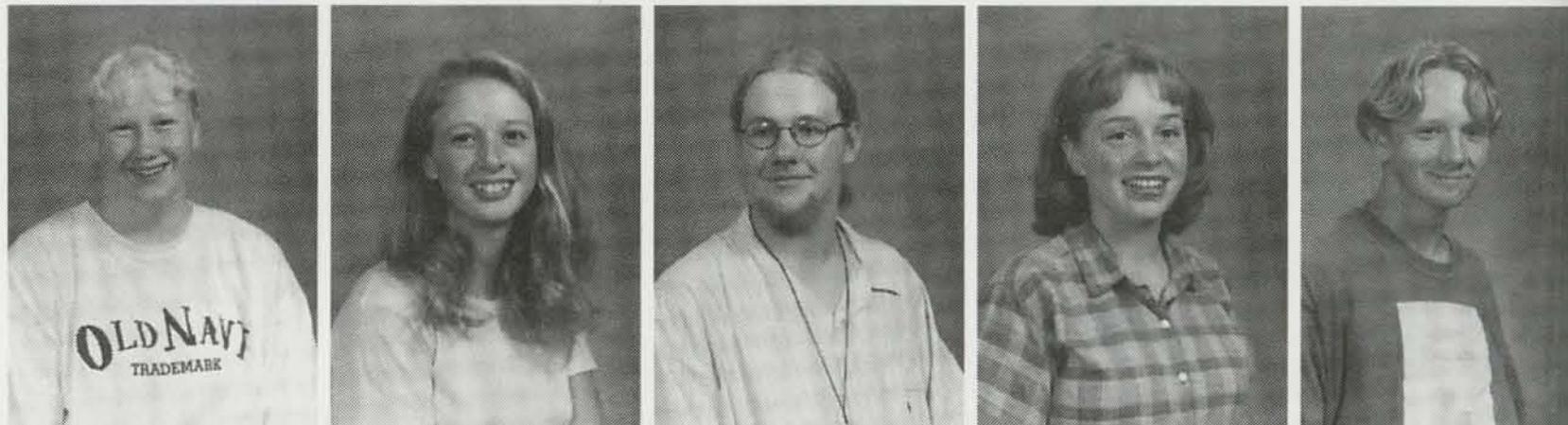
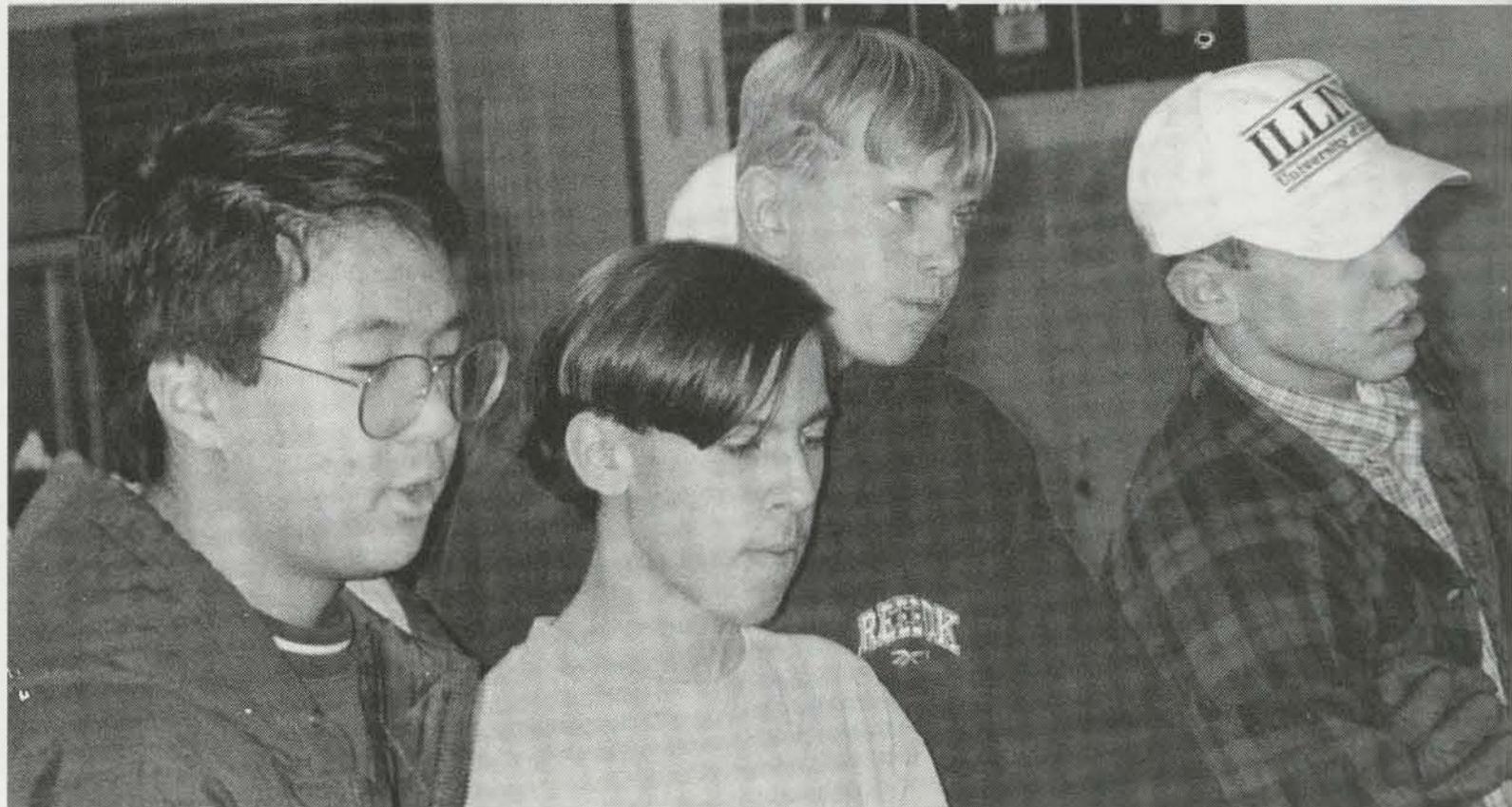
Bryson Engelen
Elizabeth Eynatten
Ryan Felkamp
Elizabeth Fenger
Justin Filipiak

Re-Doing the School Store

Sophomores probably aren't too surprised when they find out that this year's juniors are a little upset that they didn't make quite as much money on the school store as we have. Sophomores made about twice as much in a semester as the juniors did in all of last year; and the numbers keep climbing. Ms. Jean Smith was given the job of being in charge of the school store this year, and got the students opinion of what items they wanted to buy. New products were added, including sandwiches from Jimmy John's, fried rice and egg rolls from Kwik Wok, and, for a little while, chicken from KFC. The juniors are still hoping to make more money from their weekly pizza sales. Good luck....

Right: Sophomores Kristen Cann and Christina Gruszynski discuss the new products of the school store. This year many items were added to the selection of goods provided by the student store.

Below: Sophomore Jon Choi, Freshman Chad McKittrich, Sophomore Brandon Albee, and Brett Maple wordlessly debate what they want for their money at the school store.



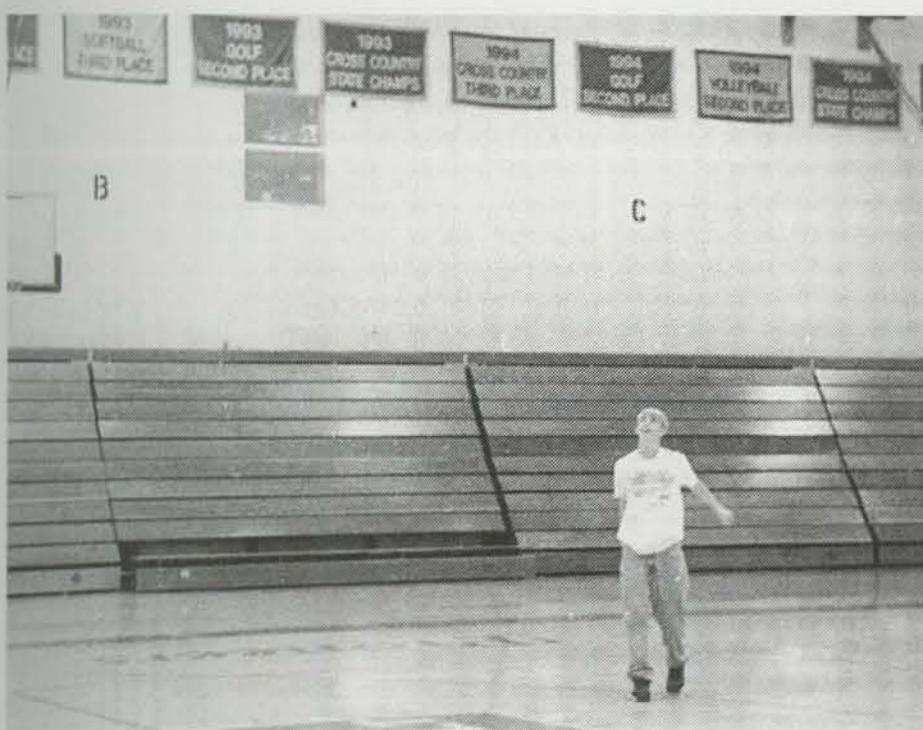
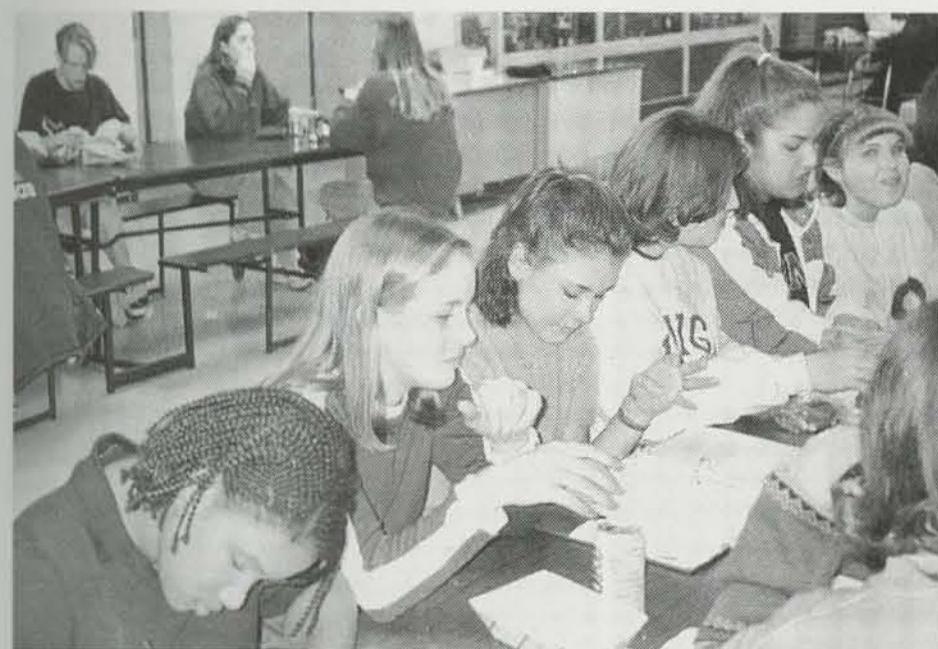
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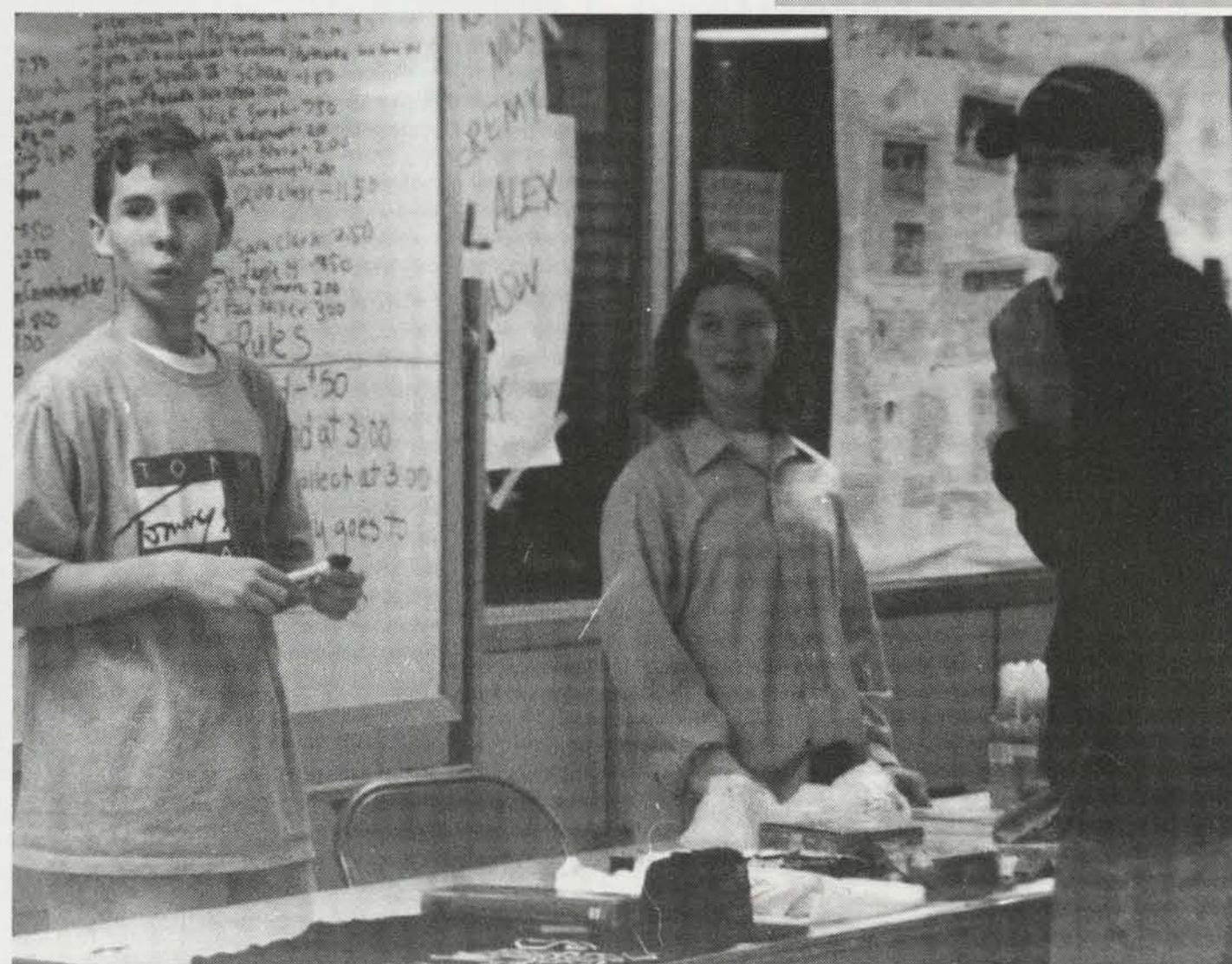
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Timothy Holbrook
Joshua Howe
Seth Hubbard

Below: Sophomores Jenell Rayford, Courtney Roetzer, and Kara Whitecotton schedule in some last minute studying while Katie Wright, Heidi Roesch, Kelly Beer, Pegah Hemmasi and Sherry Keist discuss the previous night's girl's basketball game.



Below left: Jonathan Williamson tries to sink a jump shot for the camera. Nice try, Jon.

Below: Sophomores Tim Holbrook and Eliza McCaw help Brett Maple in deciding how to spend his money during the senate sponsored, silent auction. Some of the items for sale included gift certificates from the Garlic Press, extra credit points from various teachers and Beanie Babies..



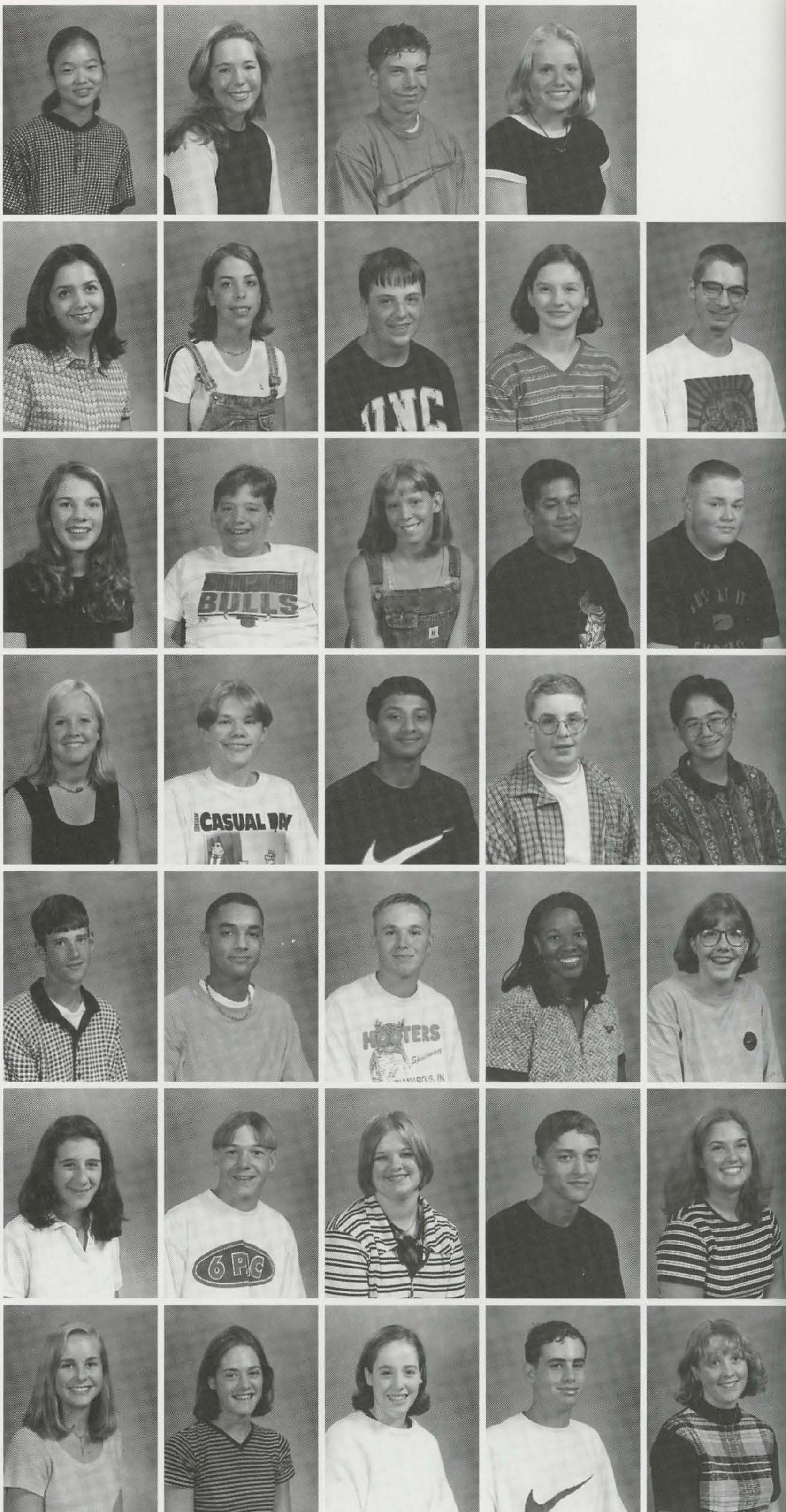
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Sarah Knuth
Emily Koglin
Alexander Kowerko
Joseph Kramp
Heidi Kuethe

Kyle LaBounty
Lane Lampert
Kirsten Larsen
Aaron Leach
Sarah Lehr

Patty Liu
Heidi Lott
John Lovelass
Jennifer Mangina



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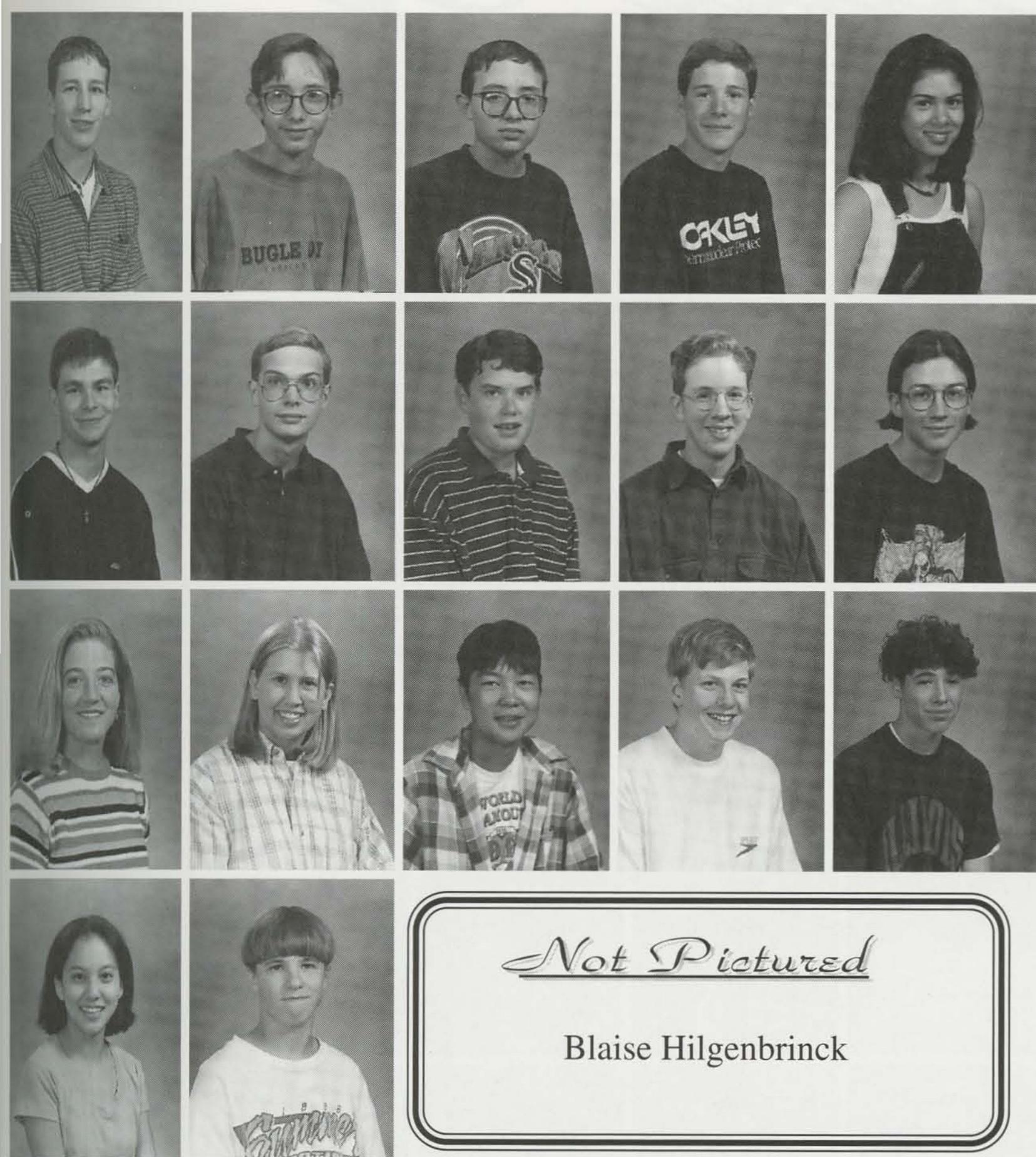
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Jason Rainey
Jeremy Rakers
Jenell Rayford
Mary Beth Richardson

Kristy Ritacco
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Lindsay Robb
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Abigail Scheirer
Victoria Schollaert
Jonathan Schuyler
Stephanie Schweitzer



Joel Searby
Jason Shive
Jeremy Shive
Benjamin Shoot
Maile Simpson

Michael Skolmoski
Timothy Smith
Bradley Snyder
Thomas Snyder
Nicholas Sorak

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Andrew Sur
Daniel Swerdlik

Sara Temiyasathit
Ryan Thoennes

Not Pictured

Blaise Hilgenbrinck

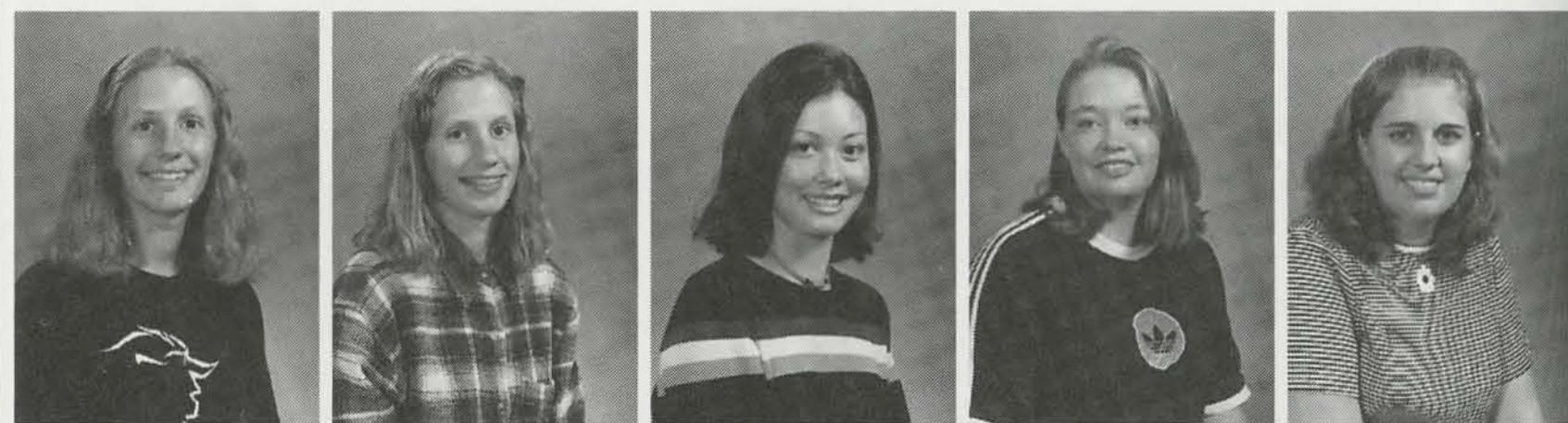


Above: Kim Mathile and Lane Lampert battle it out at the first annual arm wrestling contest held in the lounge, while AJ Cunningham tries to decide whom to root for. Lane ended up beating Kim, and several others that came after her.

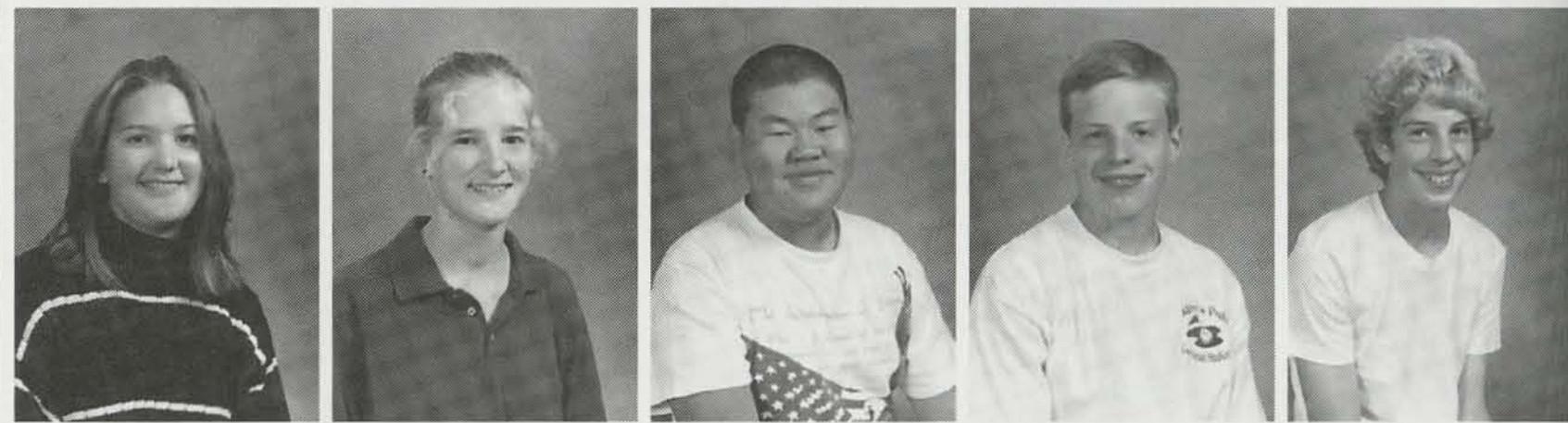
Sophomores

Class Of 1999

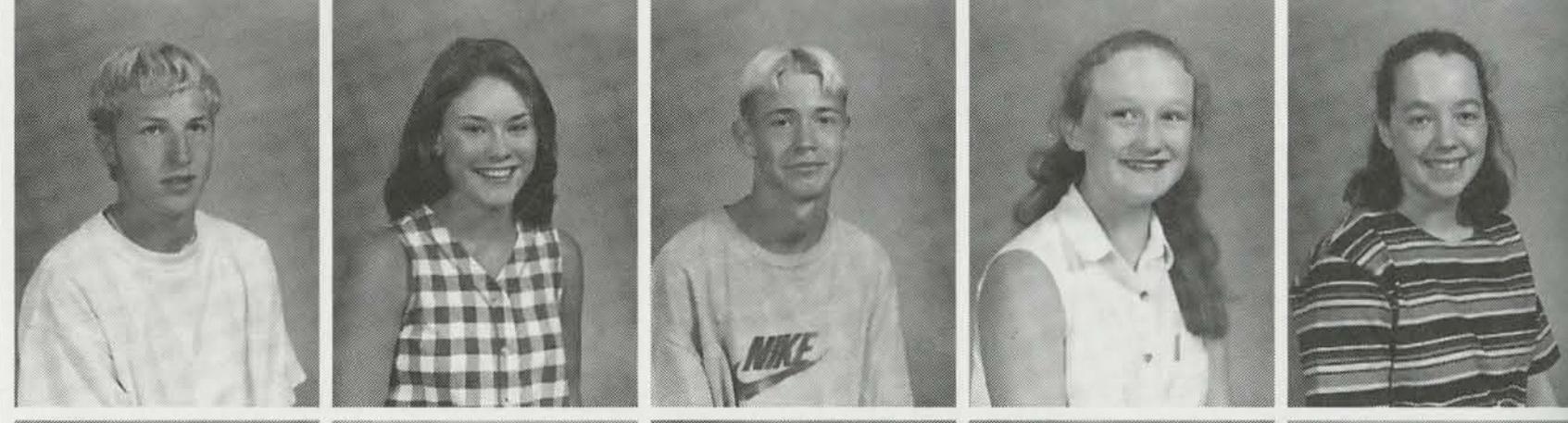
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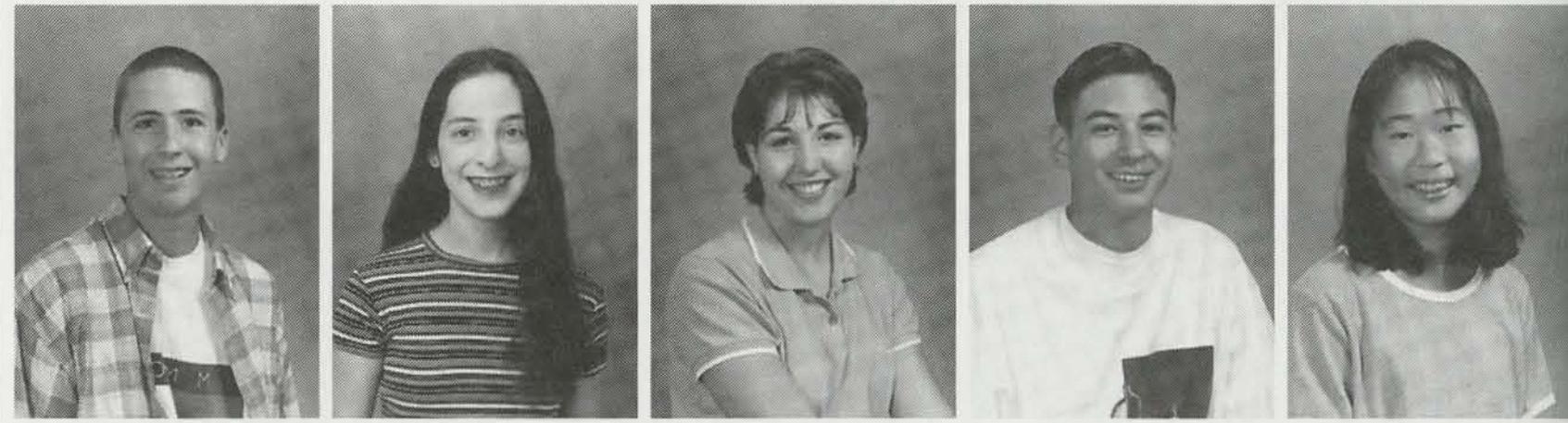
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Loren Wells



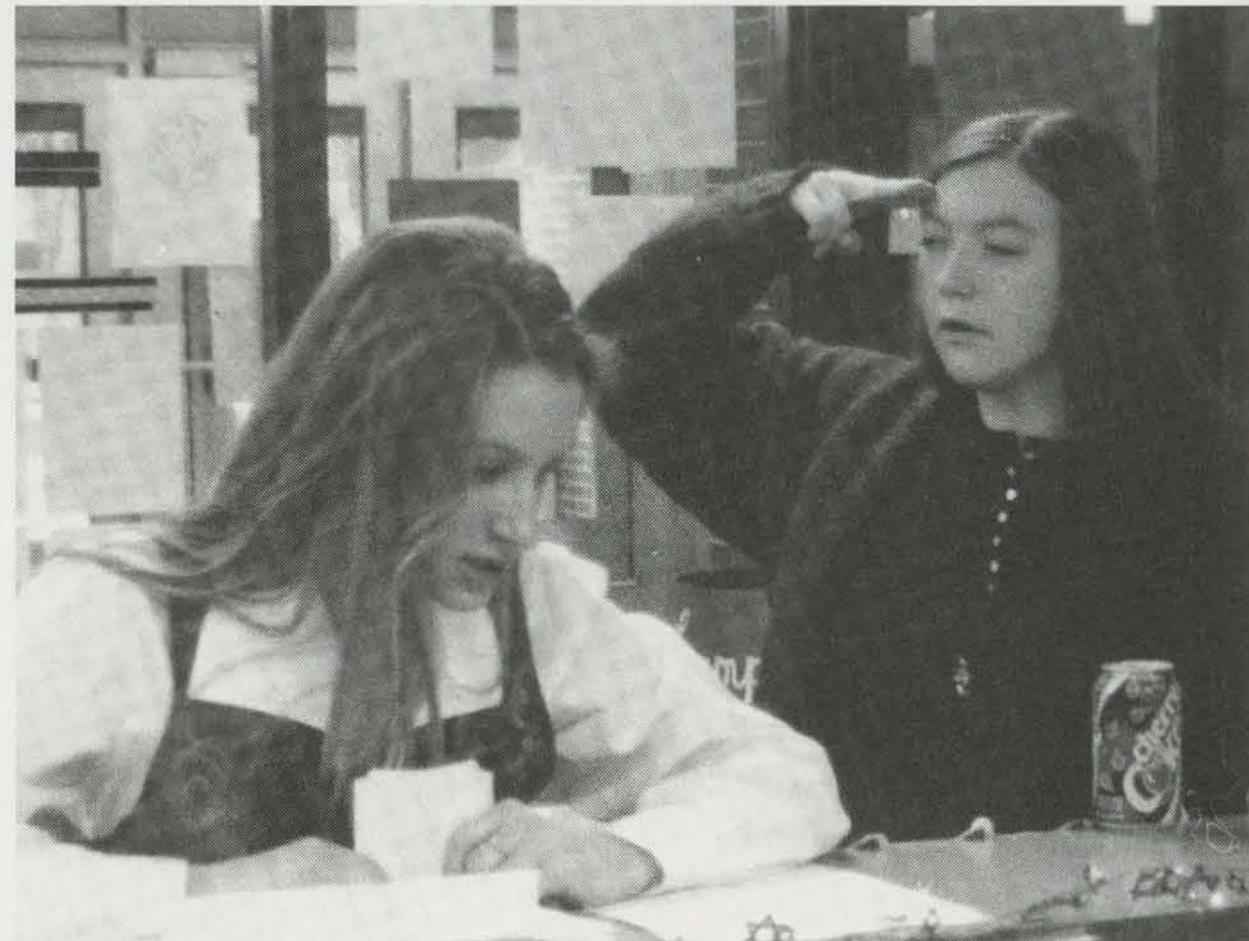
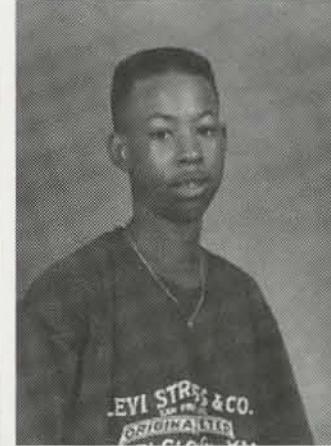
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Jonathan Williamson
Jill Wilson
Tara Wirsing



Todd Witherow
Jenny Wojcik
Katherine Wright
Bradley Yamada
Christine Yee



Brandon Younge



Above: Monica Hesse asks Bobbi Wojcik for assistance in the main office while Molly Archer pays her respects to her country's flag. Oh, say can you see....

Beanies, Now and Forever

Squealer, Daisy, Nip, Nap, Garcia, Sly, Ringo, and Manny. This year beanie babies were the hottest thing since Leonardo DiCaprio. The swim team got the fish, Coral, when they won a tournament, and significant others received Valentino for Valentine's Day. Some guys liked them, but most would rather throw them against the wall. Almost all of the girls loved them and had at least three, but there were a few who protested them. Molly Archer said "Beanie babies are evil and plan to take over the world. STAY AWAY FROM THEM I TELL YOU!!!!!" Thanks, Molly. TJ Crusius was known for his

ability to ask his sweetie to see her Beanie baby, then start chucking it against a wall or ceiling.

"Beanie babies suck!" quoted Crusius, then proceeded to throw his gift (Valentino) from his girlfriend against his locker.

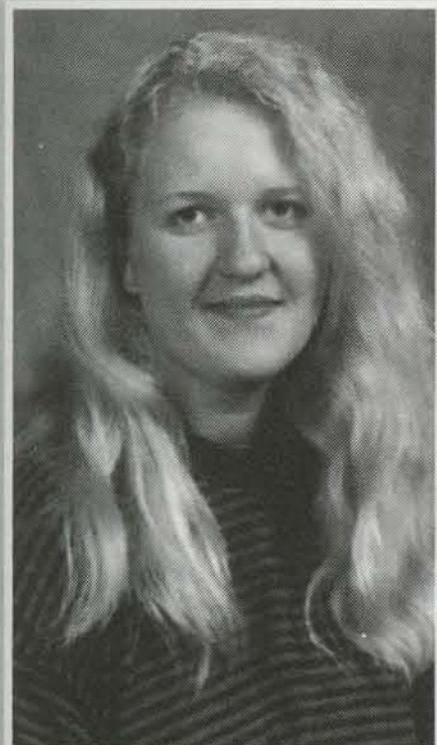
Children would be seen buying 15-20 of the small animals at a time, and pay for them with their own money. Parents would and could knock you over to reach one of the animals, and cut in front of you in line.

Are beanie just another fly by night trend like slap on-bracelets, harmony beads, and whistle pops or are beanie's forever?

Guess we will just have to wait and see.



Anxieties About Parking.



I'm worried I'll be late for class just because I left and lost my parking spot.

-Ryne' Grubar



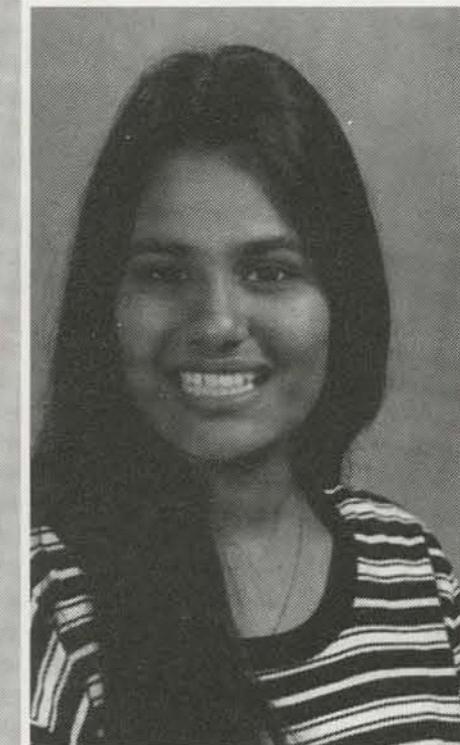
They should eliminate the meters. Parking should be first come, first serve.

-Alexis Bair



They should change one of the practice football fields into a parking lot.

-Katie Augspurger



The parking meters are unfair, students shouldn't have to pay for parking at thier own school.

-Sarada Duvvuri

Juniors

In a few words, the Junior class describes the 1996-1997 school year.

- "Straight up."
-Pete Martin
- "Mrs. Grogg."
-Becky Phillips
- "C'mon ladies, get to class!"
-Melissa Mercier
- "I don't know, I can't remember.
-Joe Schmidt

Jill Albritton
Petra Allen
Matthew Alvey
David Arnold
Matthew Augspurger

Alexis Baldocchi
Aaron Bareither
Brandi Barnes
Vincent Barrows
John Bates

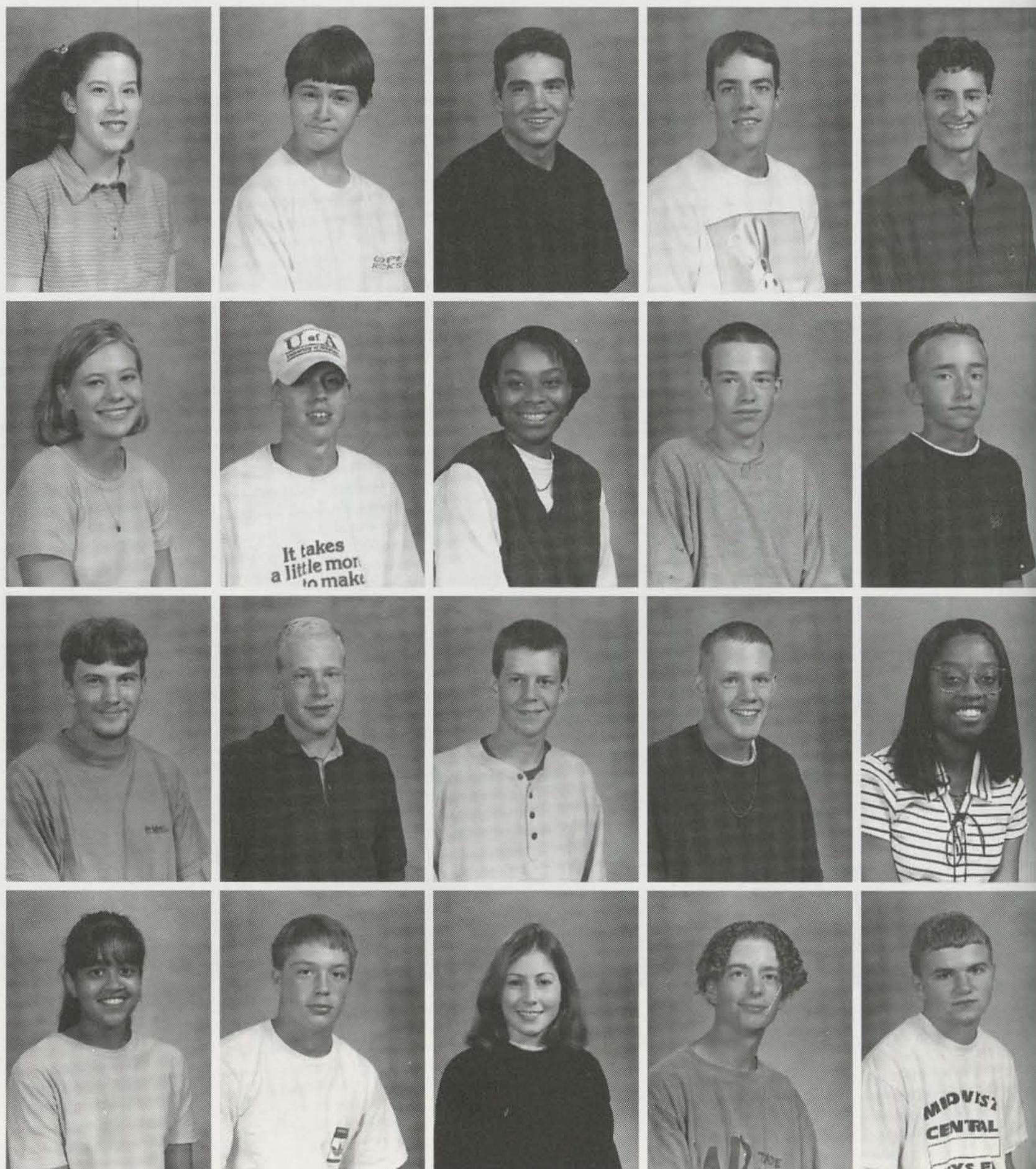
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Neill Buerskens
Sherreka Beverly

Ambika Bhat
Jamison Bills
Julie Bisbee
Chris Blume
Matt Bradley

Rethink the Year

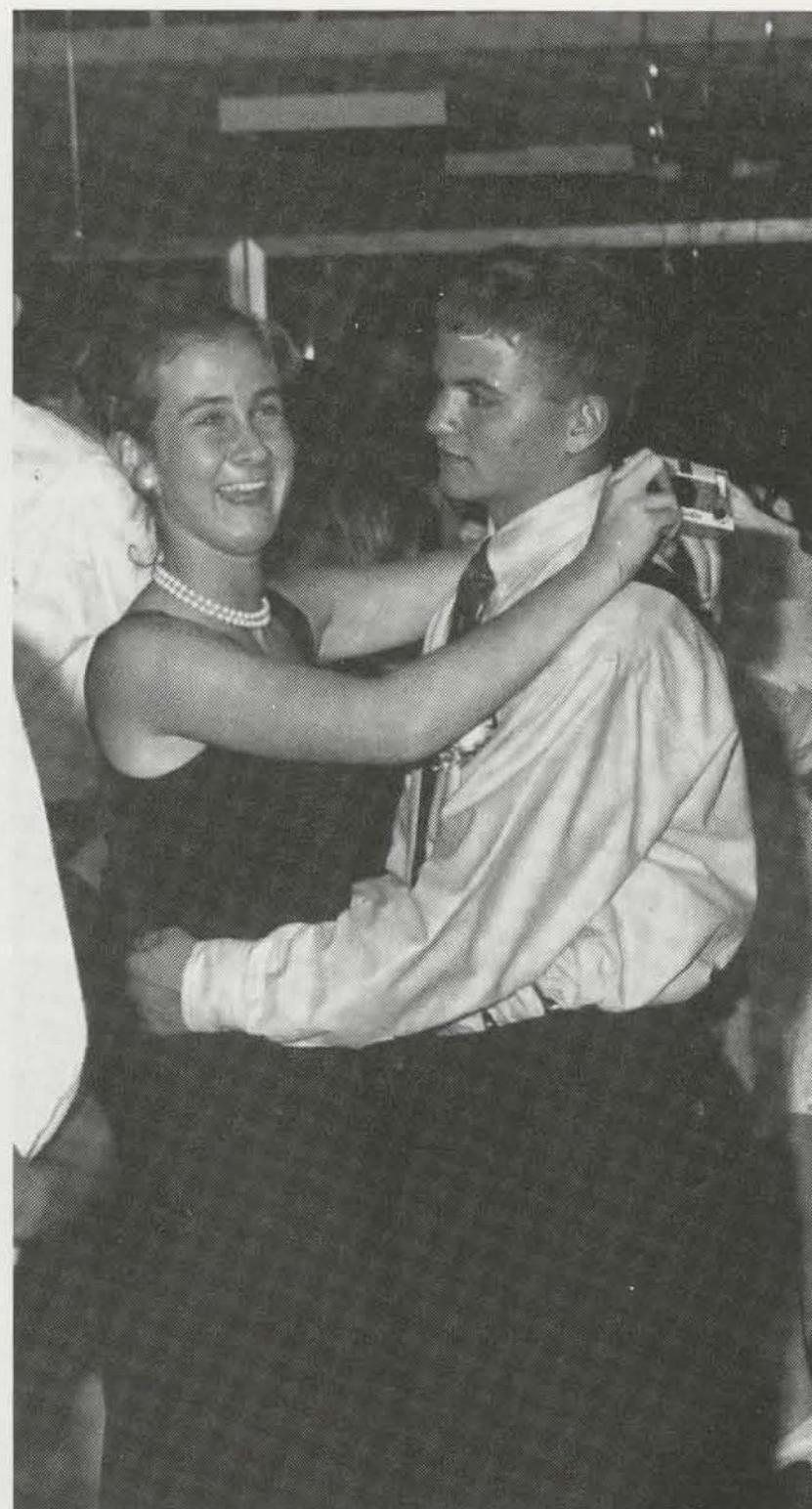
Past years have been nothing like this year. The good times, the bad, the times you thought you might never make it back from lunch in time even though you were driving as fast as you possibly could. What comes to mind when you think of your junior year? What will you remember? Jodi Lanier remembers the movie "Clueless." Julie Bisbee says "When I think about my junior year, I'll remember the night we became thieves." Others thought about things more seriously,

such as Jamie Herdon who says, "We should have tanning beds in the weight room." There have been memories to share with everyone forever. Junior year is the year to crack down on the books and start the big push to choose a college. Elizabeth Campbell said, "This year was harder than last year because I had a new teacher who didn't know what he was doing." Take a moment to remember the most exciting event this year.



Right: Melisa Mickiewicz shows her school spirit by doing a cheer in the hallway. This was Melisa's first year as a cheerleader.

Below: Bridget Jones and Matt Bradley enjoy a good time at Homecoming. Don't smile too hard, Bridget!



Parking

The class of 1998 had a lot to say about the parking situation....

"I think there should be more parking spaces and it shouldn't cost so much to park."

-Ruby Khan.

"I think we should be get to park where the teachers park and make them park in the back."

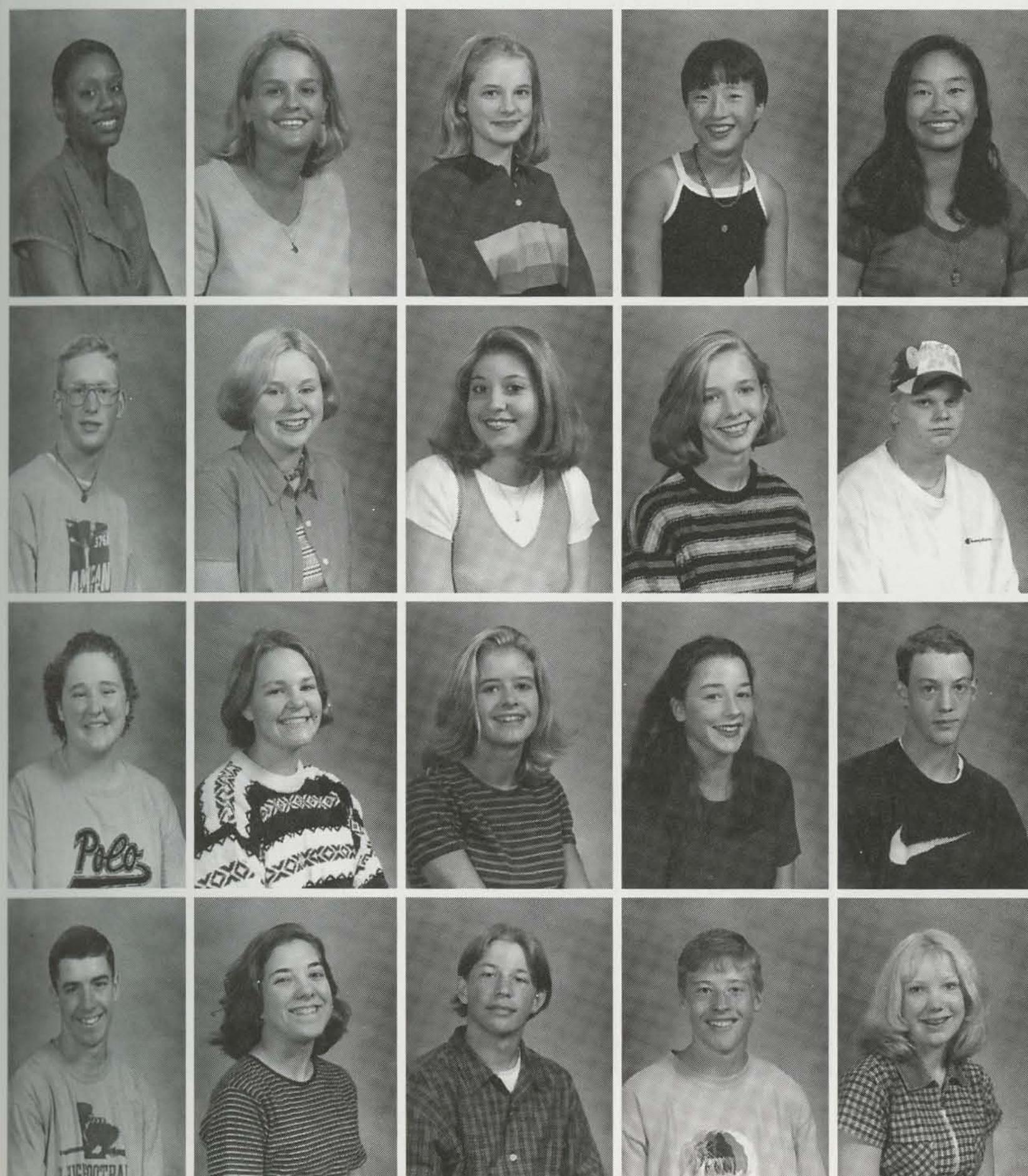
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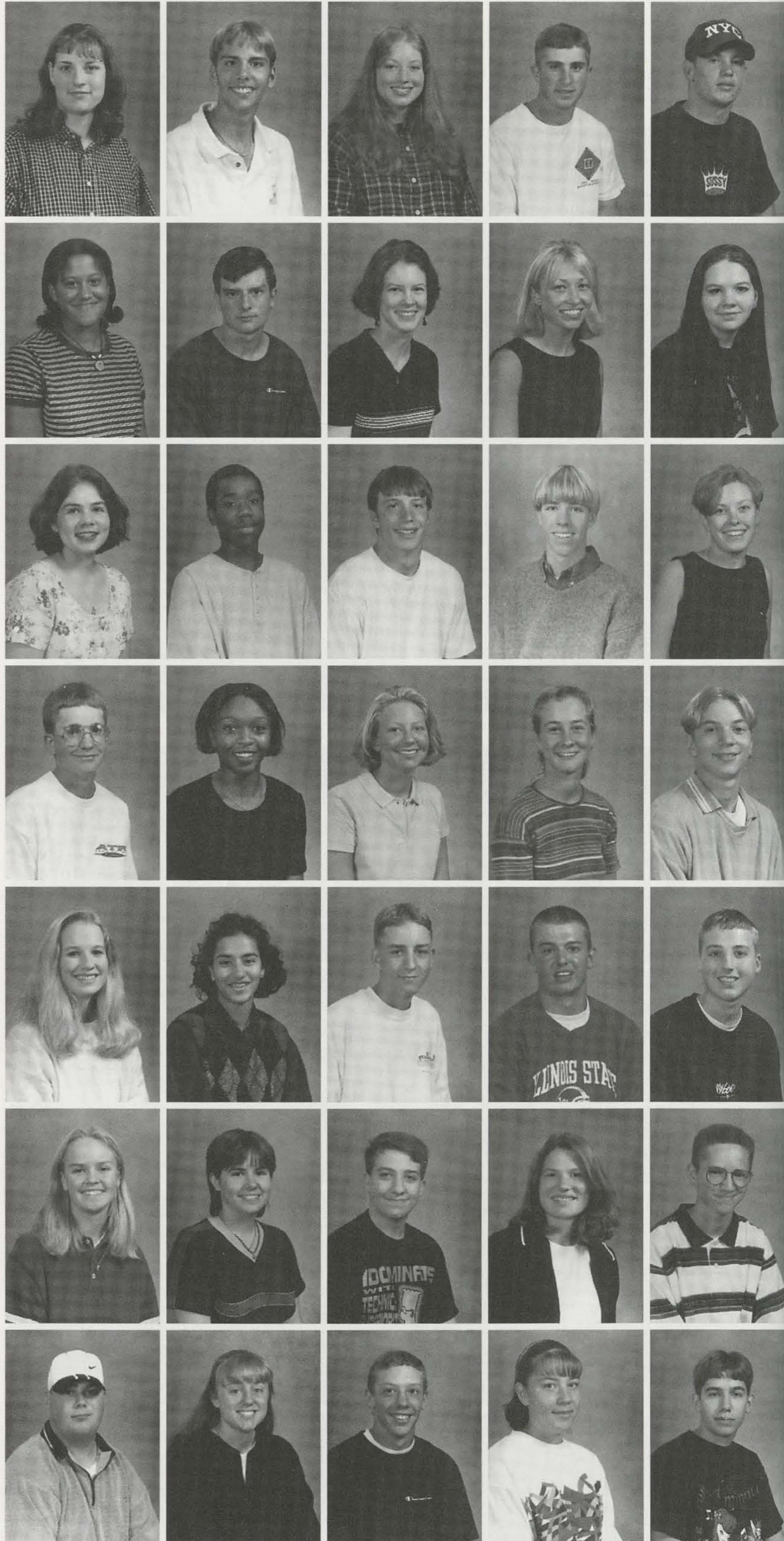
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Brandon Dirks

John Donovan
Angela Eddington
Bill Elmore
Matthew Etcheson
Sara Faber



Linda Fanis
Brandon Fifer
Amanda Finch
Brian Flynn
Calen Foster



Rebecca Fritz
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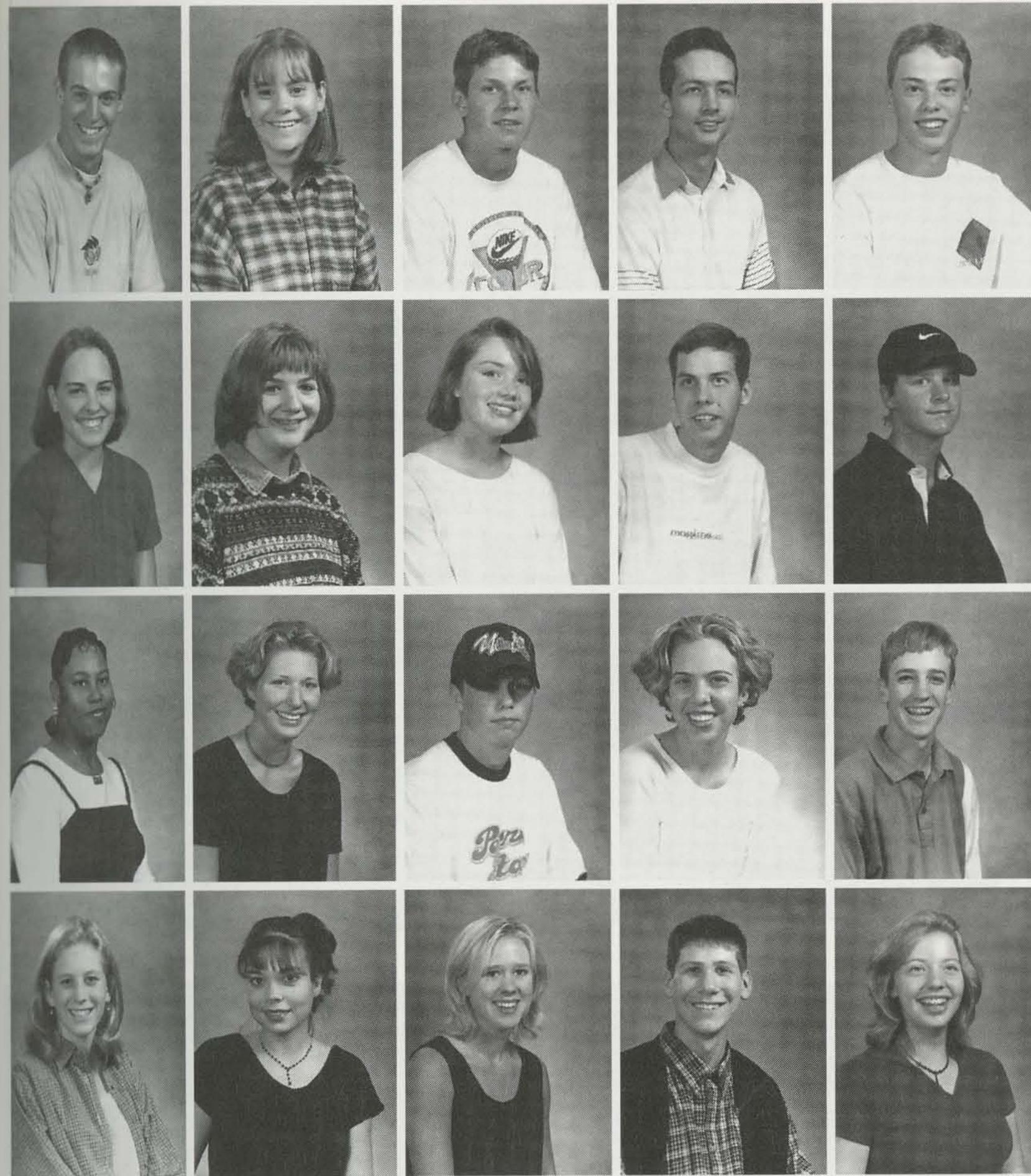
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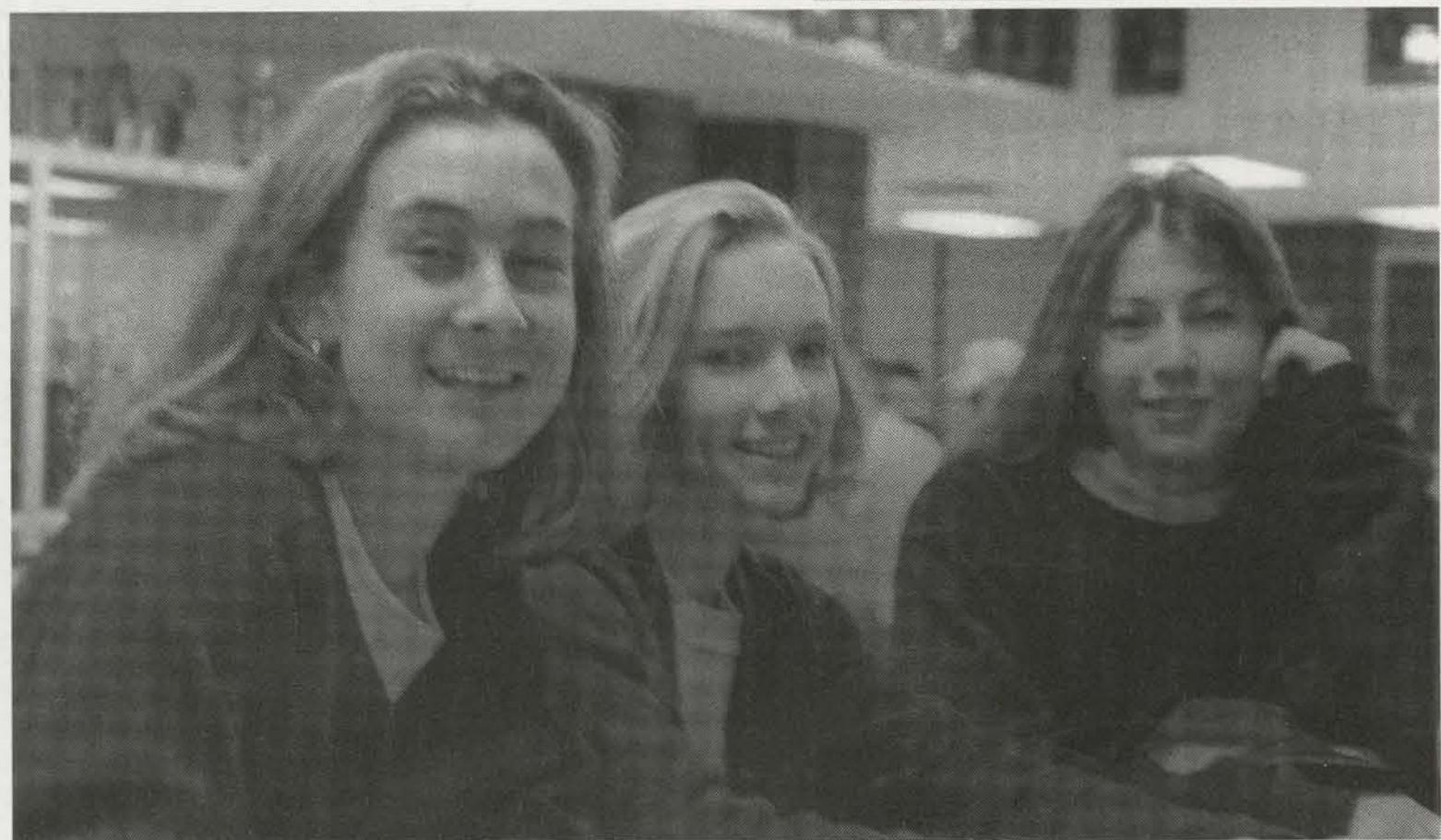
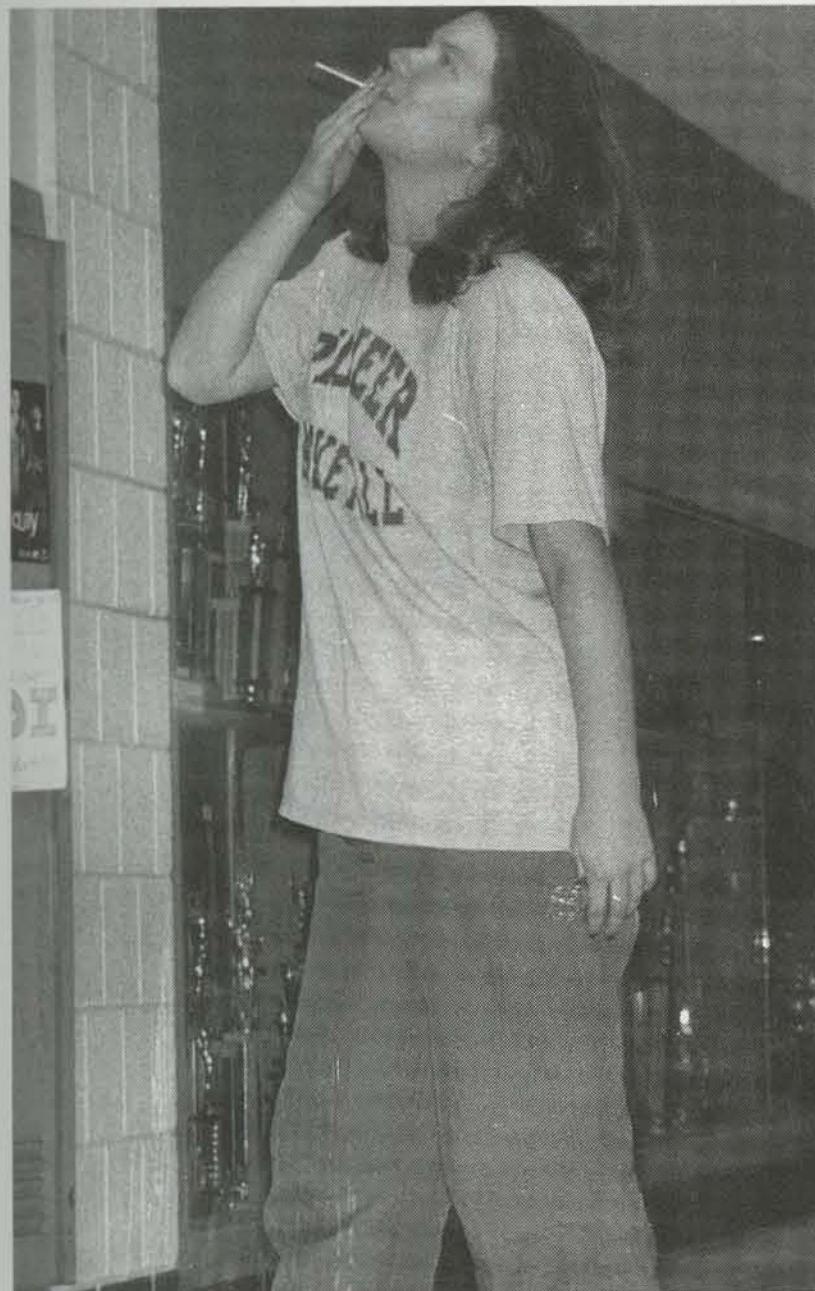


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Jeff Mercier

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Melisa Mickiewicz
Kristin Miller
Paul Miller
Pat Milligan

Chiffon Morris
Molly Myers
Tony Nelson
Erin Nelson
Michael Nolan

Bridget Nord
Raven Nunez
Erin O'Connor
Jim Oltman
Natasha Owen



Above: Bridget Jones, Kristy Corbitt and Julie Bisbee sit in the lounge before school. These girls always hang out in the lounge before school starts. Maybe that's why they seem so chipper.

Left: Jodi Lanier puffs away at the sucker that she just bought from the school store sold by the Key Club. Be careful, Jodi; food is not allowed on the second floor.

Q. What song best describes your junior year.

A. "The Secret Everybody Knows"
by Kaukasian Garbage

-Neill Buerskens

Q. What would you do differently if you were principal?

A. "I'd probably come to school once and a while."

-Jeff Yeagle

Q. Who comes to mind when you think of the class of '98?

A. "Jim and Laura; enough said."

-Anonymous

Jeff Penn
Justin Penn
Rebecca Phillips
Nikki Piercy
Nicole Pittmon

Kelli Pydonwski
Matthew Richter
B.J. Roberts
Jenny Rohren
Nate Romance

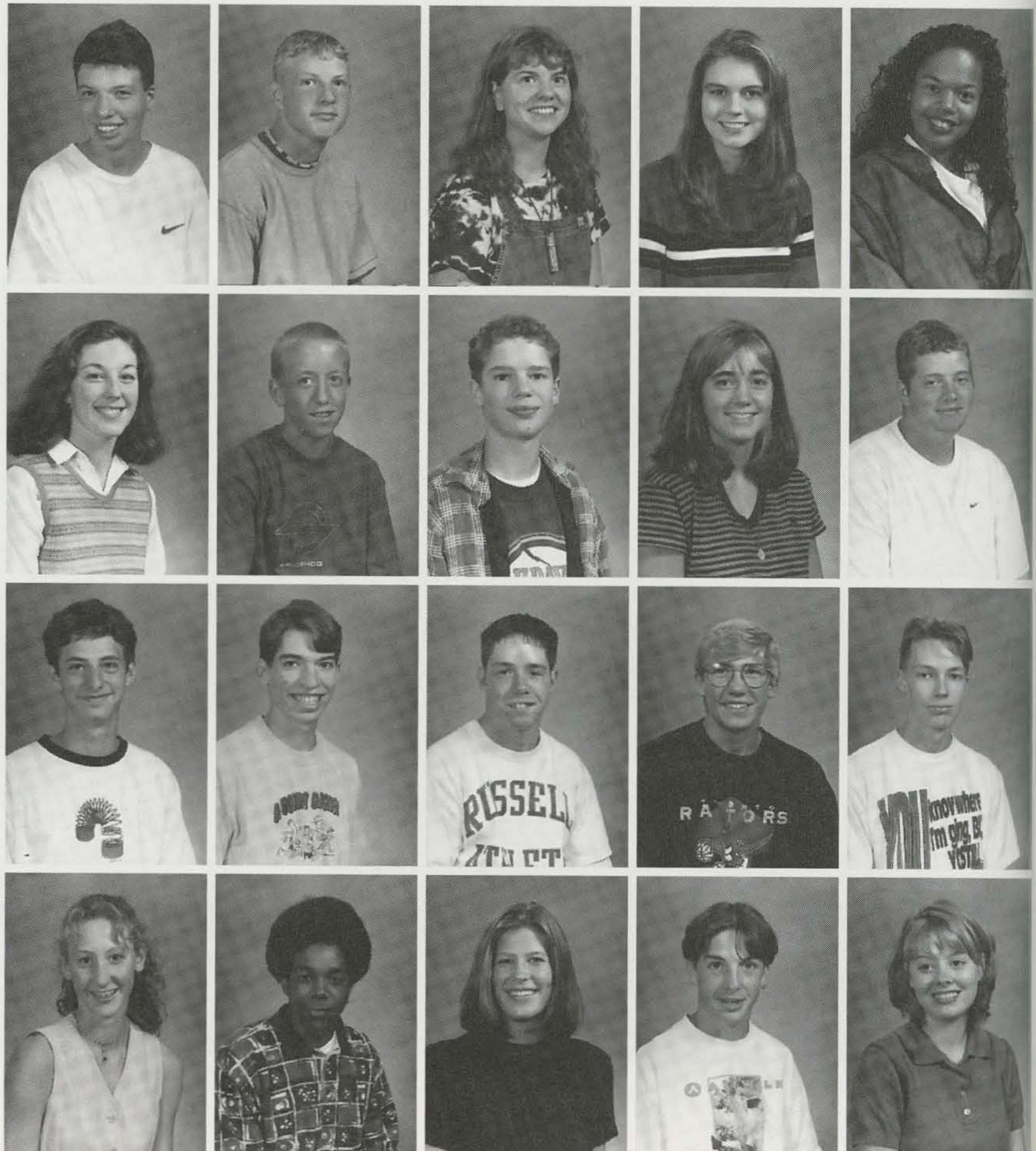
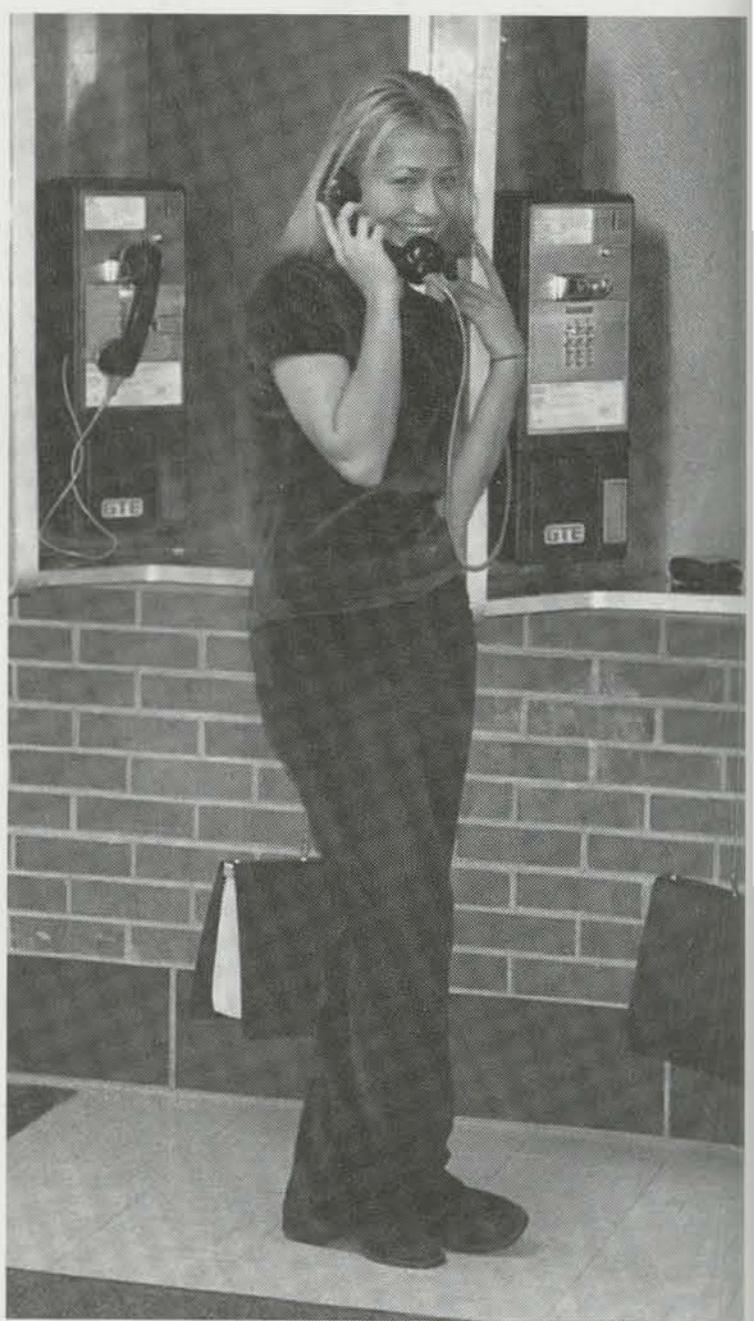
Jim Sallee
Andrew Schmidgall
Joe Schmidt
Kris Schwarzrock
Anton Shamenkov

Sarah Shamess
Wesley Shinault
Lacey Shirk
Joe Singer
Caroline Skaggs

Below: Tiffany Thetard and Molly Vetter share a warm and fuzzy moment in the lounge. The girls were about to head over to Horton for swimming practice.



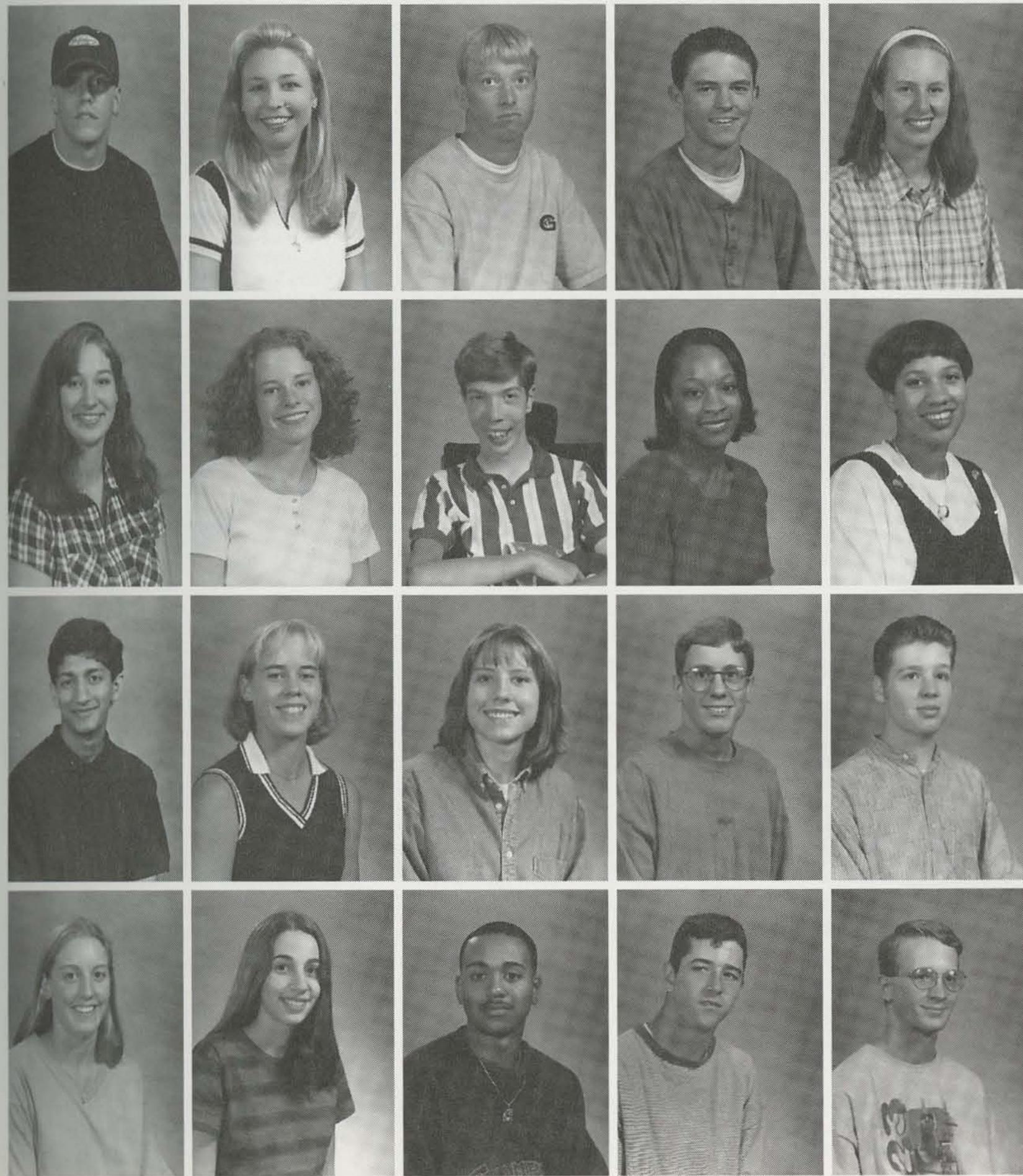
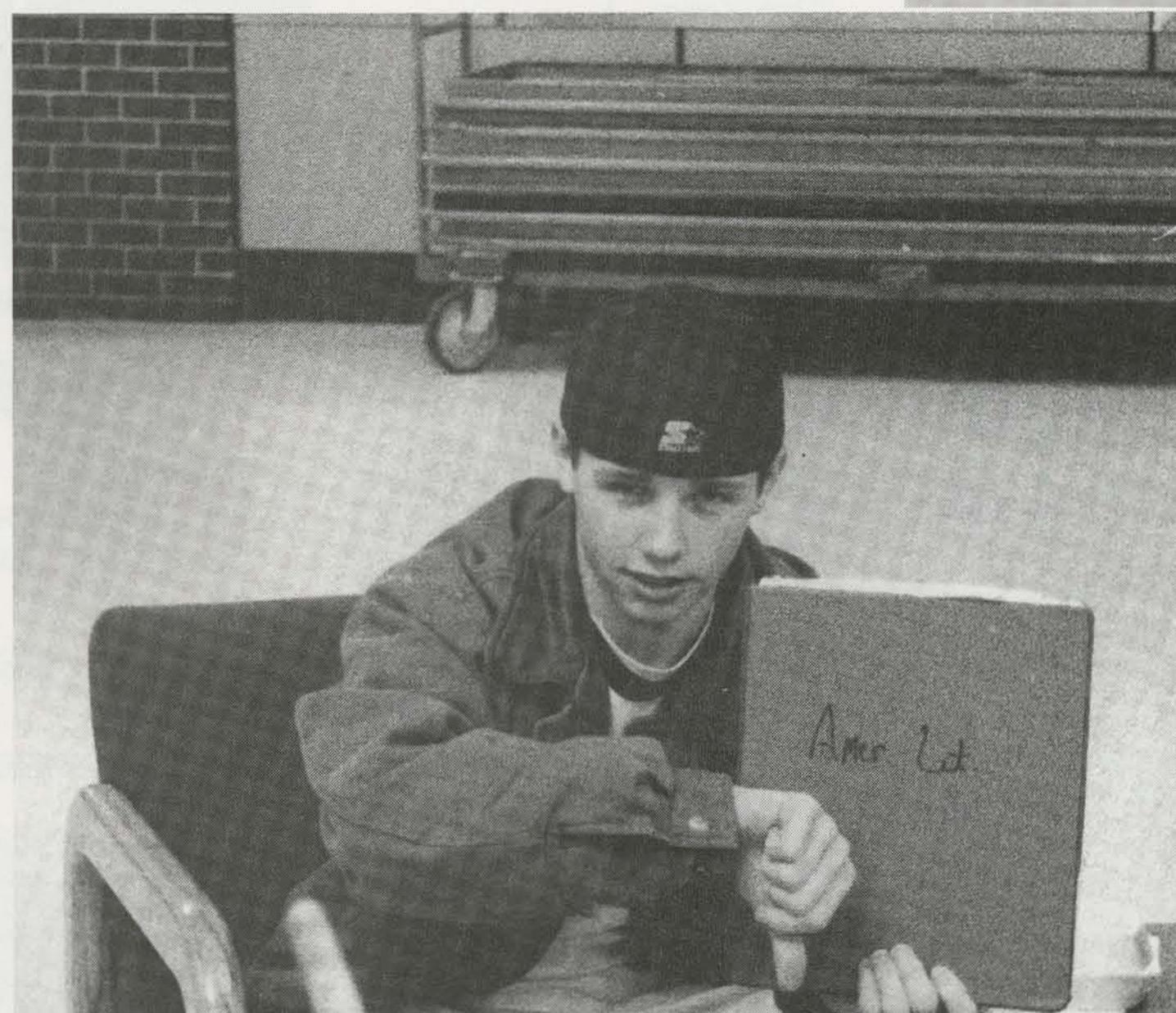
Below: Susan Grotbo orders food for lunch during her 12:00 free hour. Is there something funny about pizza, Susan?



Below: Juniors sign up for pictures at the Back To School Dance. The dance was held on the tennis courts outside. Carla James said that this dance was one of her favorites.



Below: While chillin' on the couch, Tony Nelson expresses his opinion about American Literature class. Hmmm... I wonder if he enjoys it.



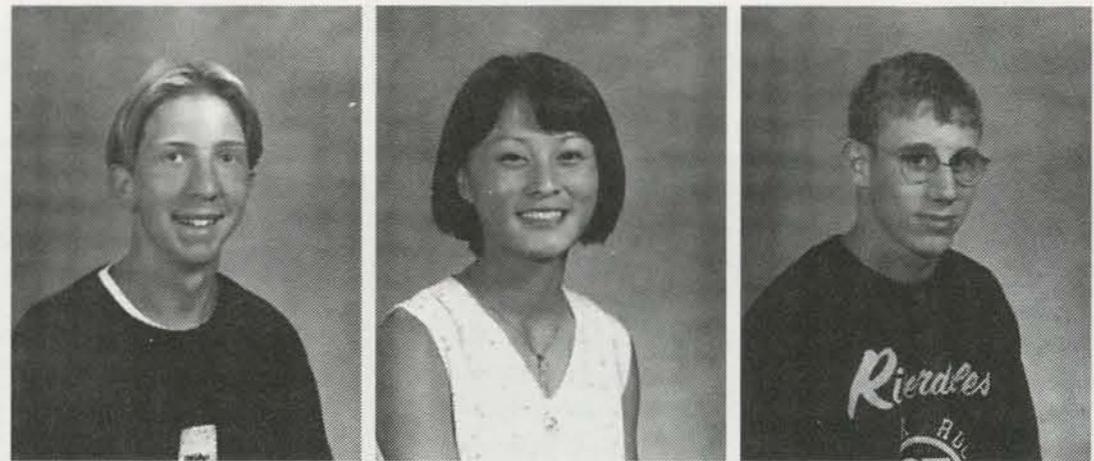
Nicholas Smith
Kristin Snow
Erik Spong
Dan States
Tamara Storbakken

Sally Straub
Tiffany Thetard
Joshua Thomas
Kristal Thomas
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Pratik Trivedi
Laura Truttmann
Mandy Tucker
Nathan Turnis
Carroll Varner

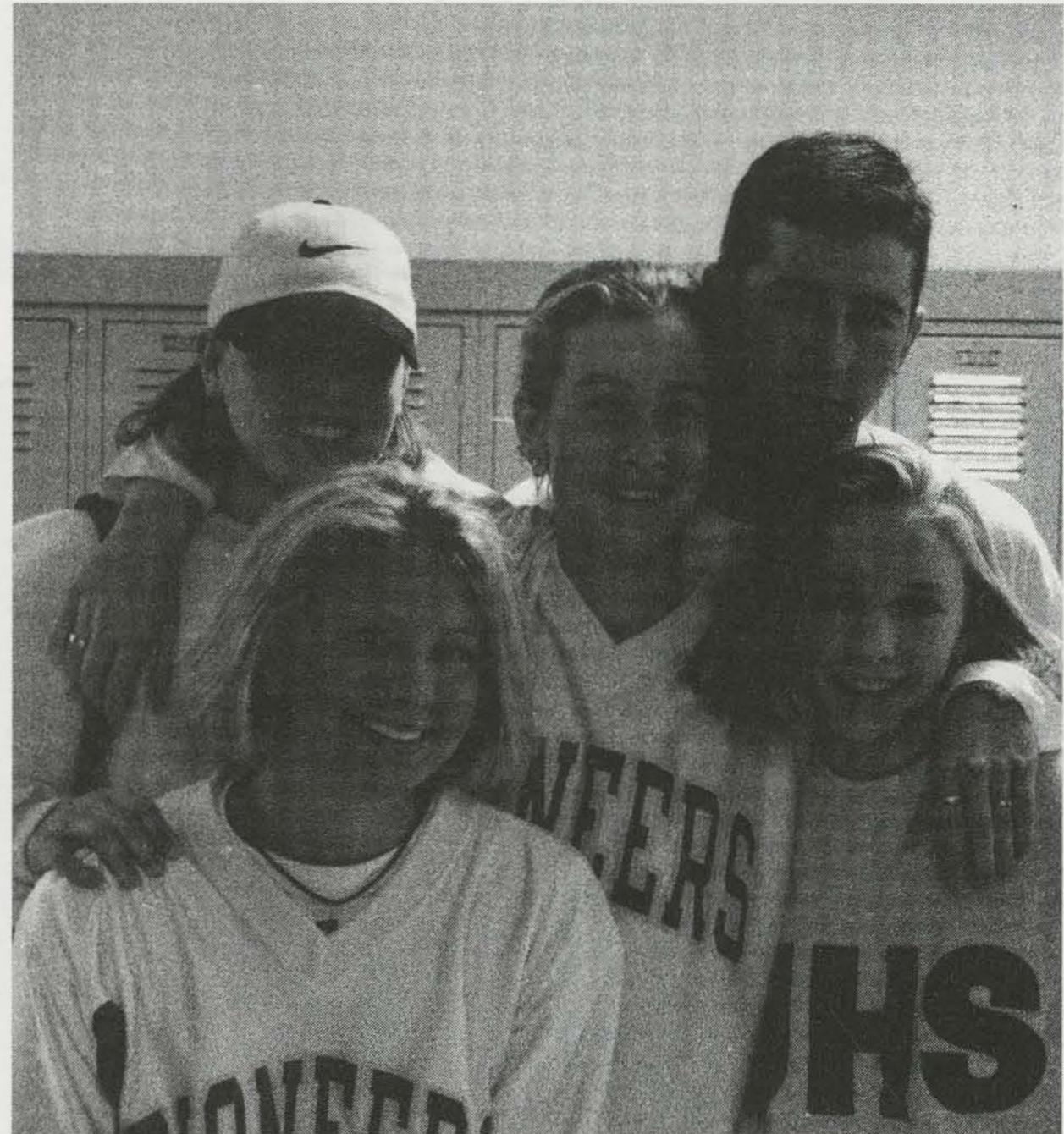
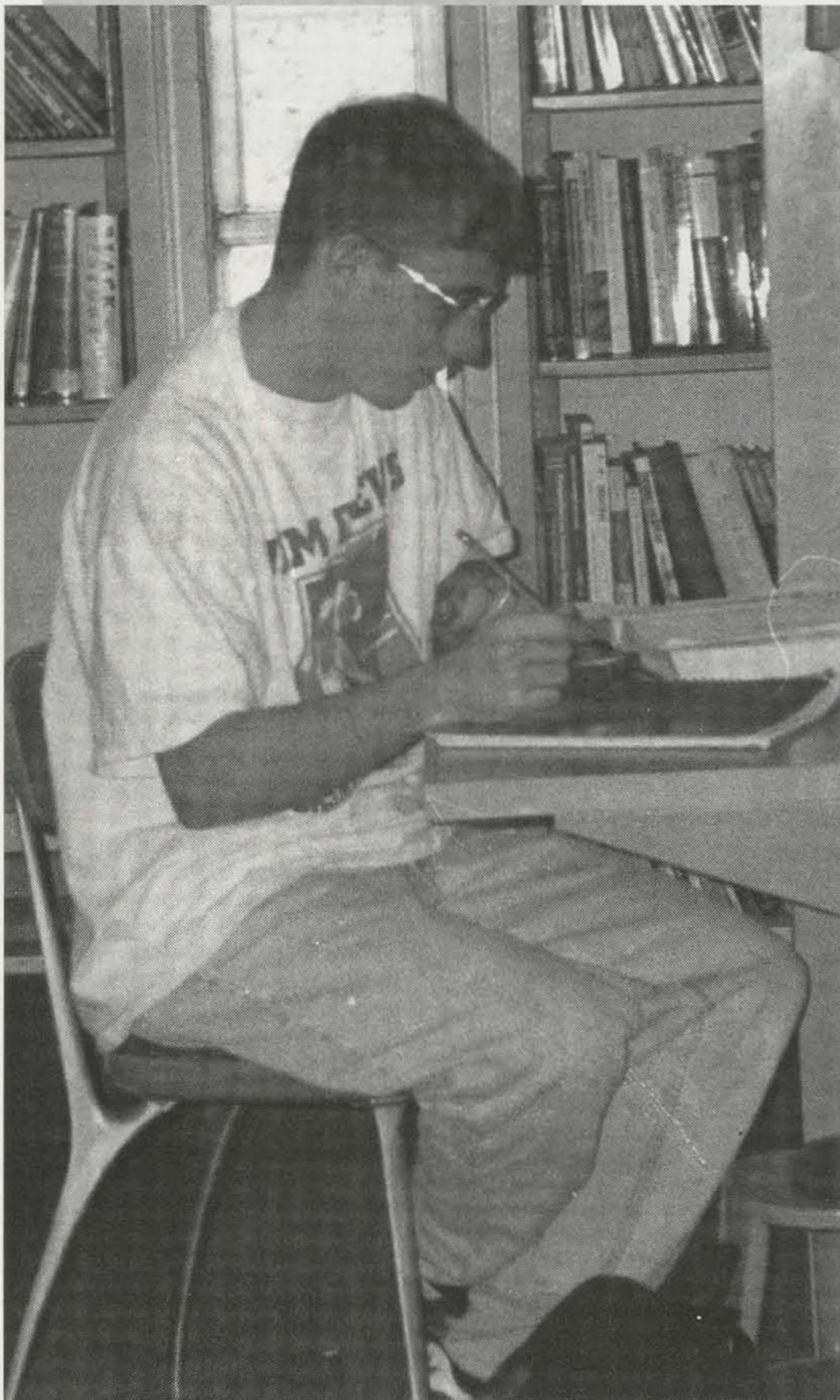
Molly Vetter
Clare Vybiral
Keith Watson
Joe Whitaker
Brian Williams

Brian Wilson
Tina Yang
Jeff Yeagle



Not Pictured

Isabelle Albarelli
William Carter
Paul Hursey
Jessica Thomlinson

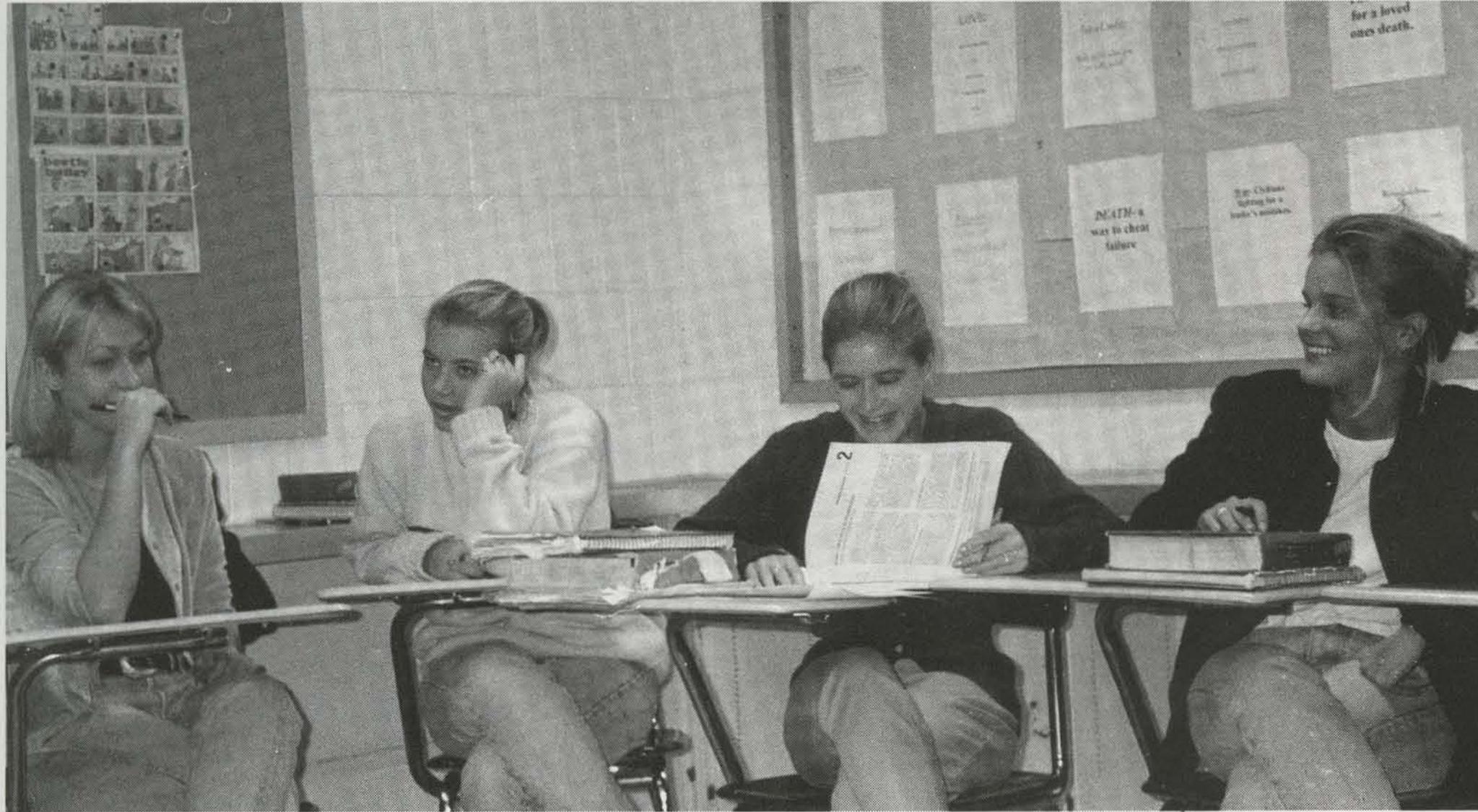
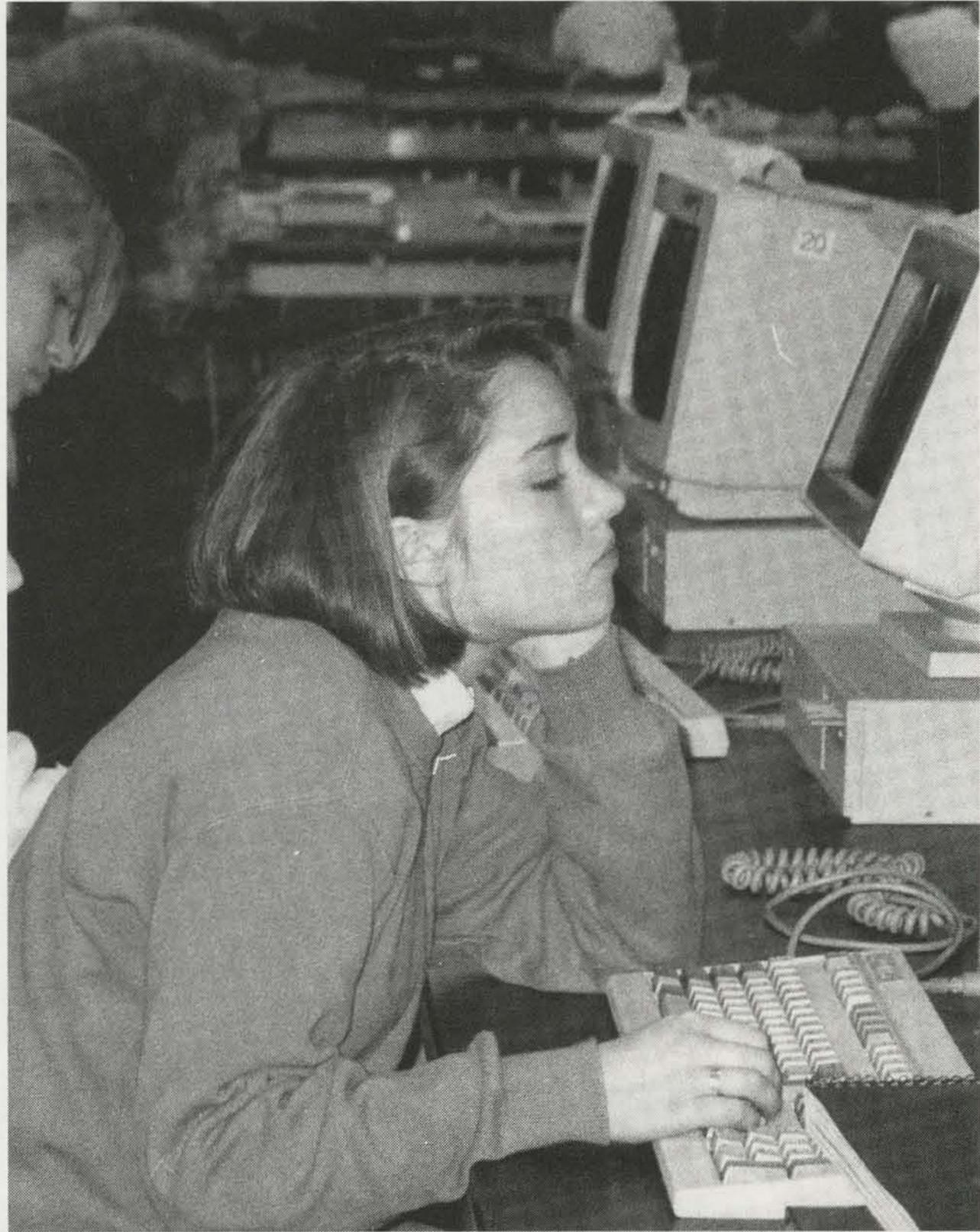


Above: Some highly spirited Juniors get together in between classes for a mid-November chat. The first semester, most Juniors agreed, was the harder of the two, but this group somehow slipped away for a moment.

Left: Jeff Yeagle diligently studies in the library during his 8:00 class. No breaking for Jeff!

Summer

Below: Kristen Miller researches her topic for the Biology final. This year Mrs. Grogg's biology class and Mr. Kelly's civil law class combined to act out certain scenarios. Kristen was in the talk show scenario and her role was to be a previous bone marrow donor.



Above: Susan Grotbo, Lexie Baldocchi, Angie Davidson and Lauren Bratberg discuss the "Scarlet Letter" in American Lit class. Hopefully they like it more than Tony does.

*R*e-Claiming Our Identity

Looking back at the class of 1997, as they prepare to leave U-High we are reminded of how they changed the school. For some it may seem like yesterday that the original batch of the FIRST guinea pigs filed into Stroud Auditorium, for others that warm August day is almost a lifetime away.

Regardless of the way the last four years are perceived, the class of '97 grew and changed along with the school.

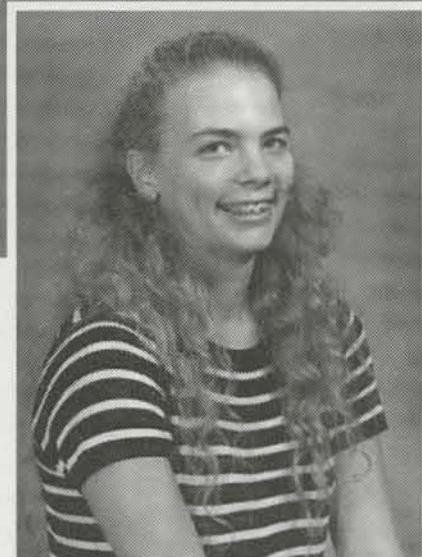
Four years of their lives were spent confined within the walls of U-High, no one will be left without an impact.

Some students feel very strongly about moving on, while others wish they could hold on to high school for just awhile longer, Paul Brooks says that the best thing about graduating is that, "I never have to come back here again...." Whatever impression U-high left on each student, we wish them luck. And Paul, we will see you in ten years, right back here!

What's the worst thing about graduating?

"The worst thing is that I will never, ever see a lot of the people in our class again."

-Megan Shepstton



What's the best thing about graduating?

"Knowing that I have made it this far, and have been prepared for having a future. Besides, things can only get better."

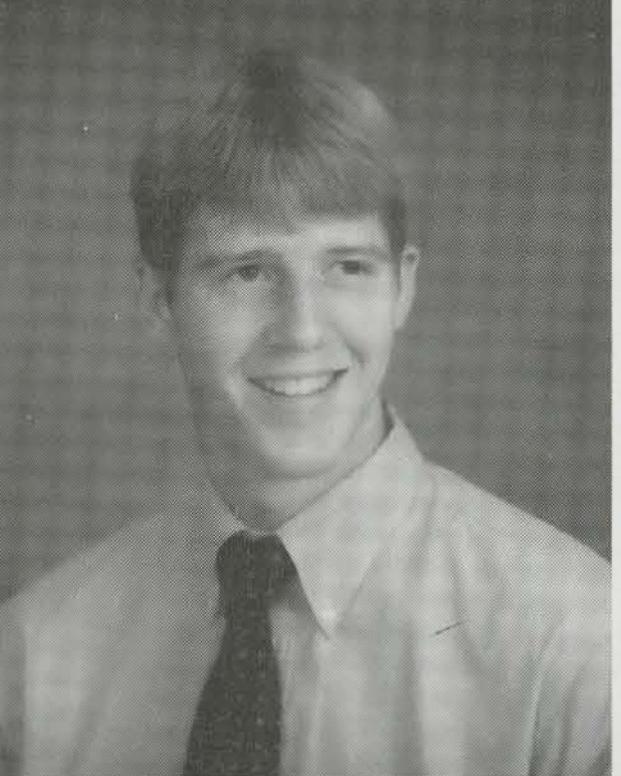
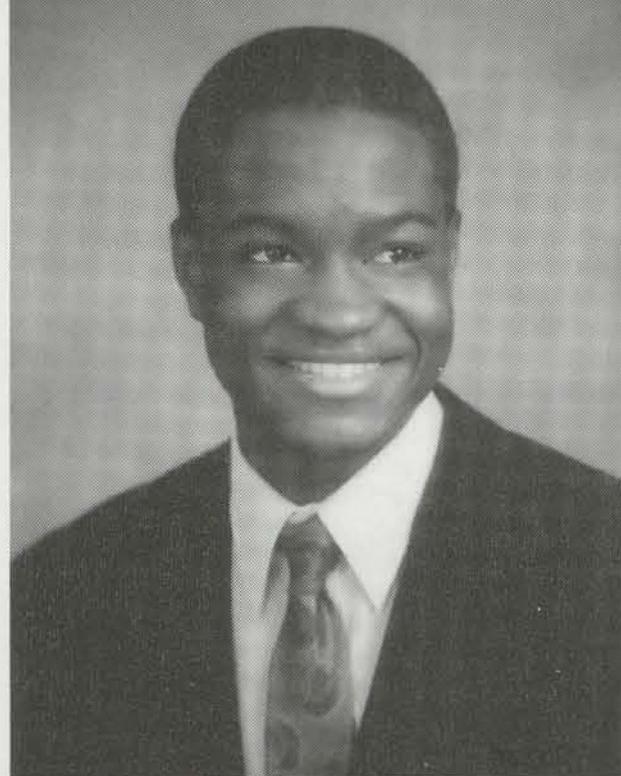
-Stephanie Kiesewetter.

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John M. Allen

Soccer (1,2,3,4)

Nicolas J. Anderson

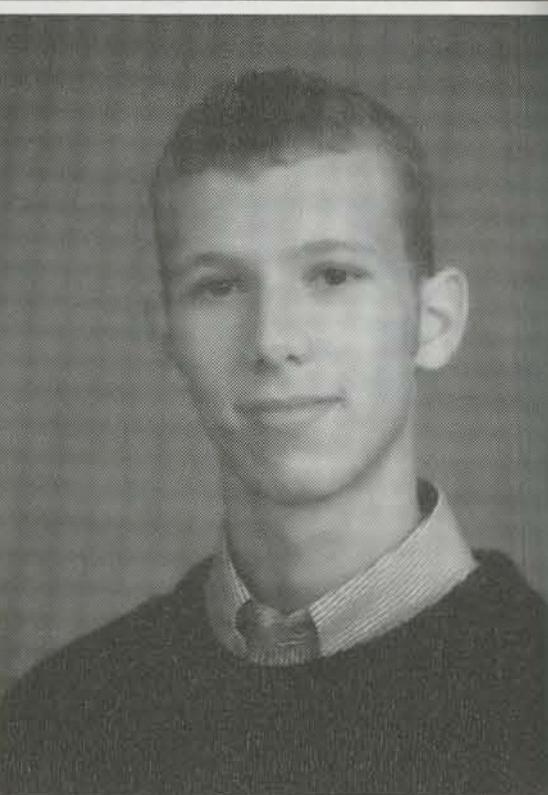
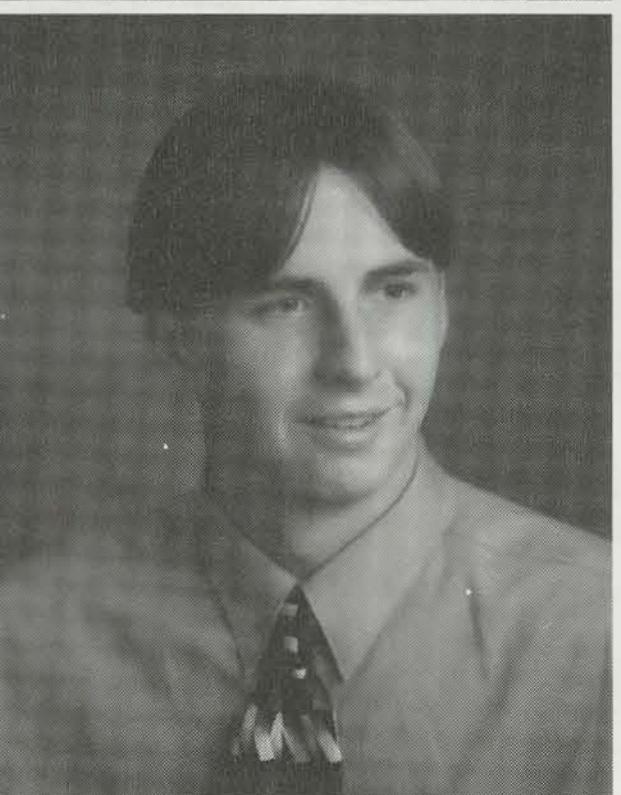
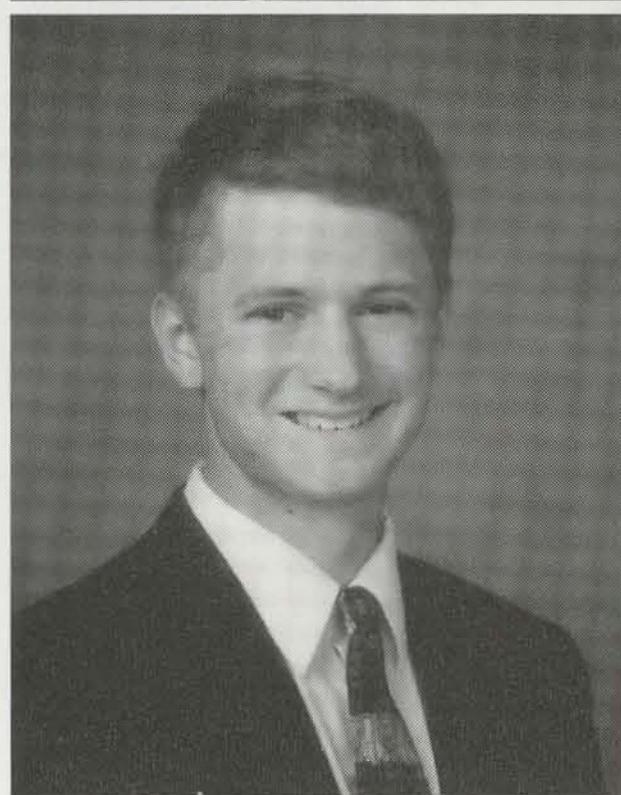


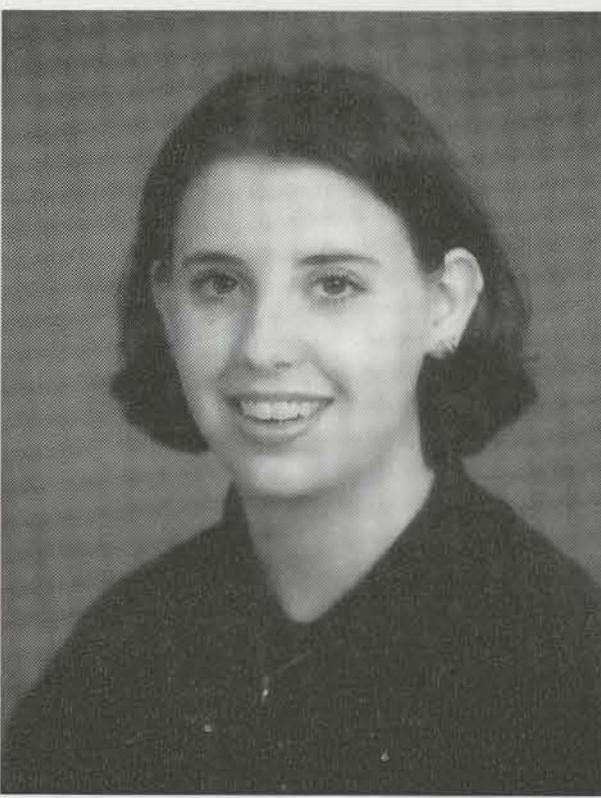
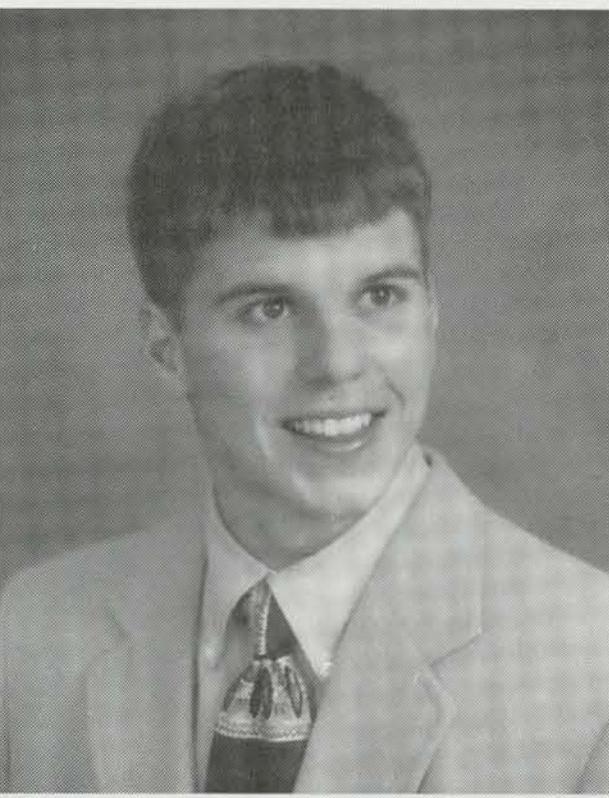
John N. Armstrong

Golf (1,2,3,4) Captain (4) MVP (4); Baseball(1); Key Club (2,3,4); Honor Roll (2,3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Who's Who Among American High School Students

Ryan C. Ash

Nathan A. Bair





Michelle C. Bandy

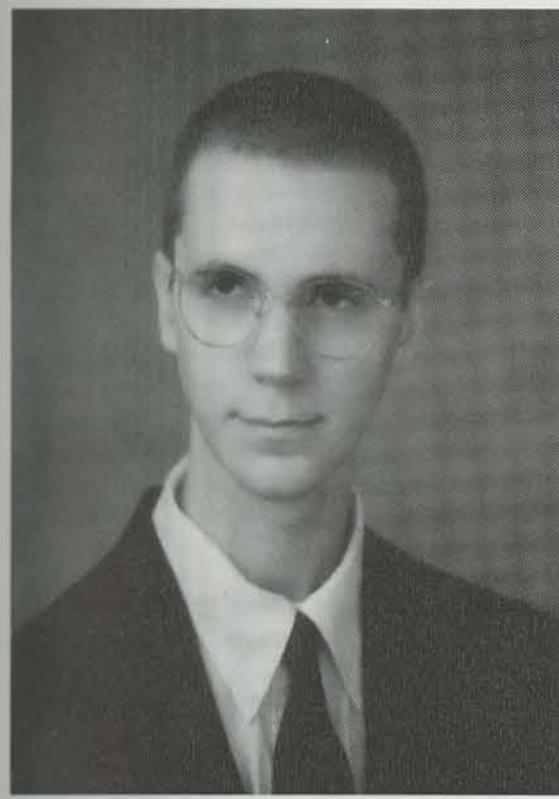
Volleyball (1,2,3); Golf (4); Soccer (3,4); Marching, Concert, Pep Band (1,2,3,4); Key Club (1,2,3,4); Scholastic Bowl(1,2); Culture Club (3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); National Honor Society (3,4); Chorus (1,2); Musical (1); Honor Roll (1,2,3,4)

Daniel P. Bradley

Basketball (1,2,34); Co-captain (4)Football (1,2,3,4); Tennis (1,2); Honor Roll (1); Who's Who Among American High School Students

Brandy C. Braye

Transfer (2); Volleyball (2); Softball(2,3);Creative Writing (4); Key Club (4)



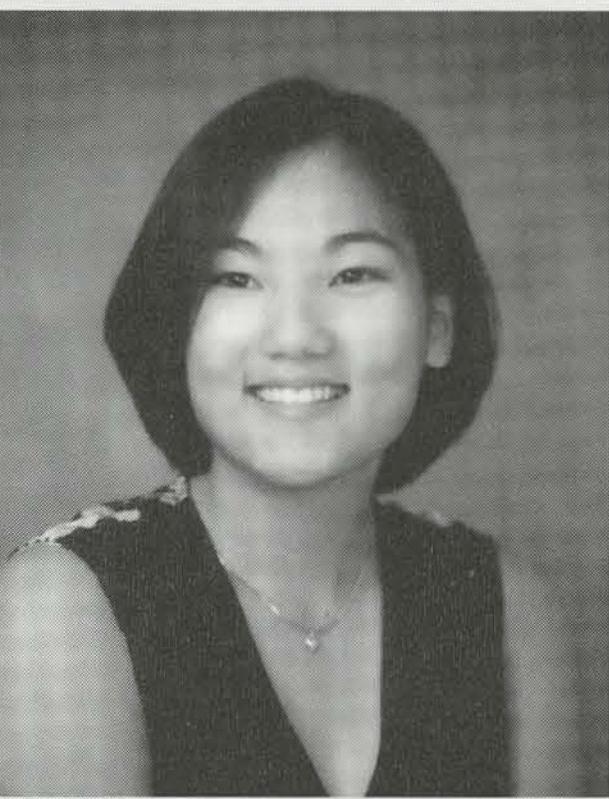
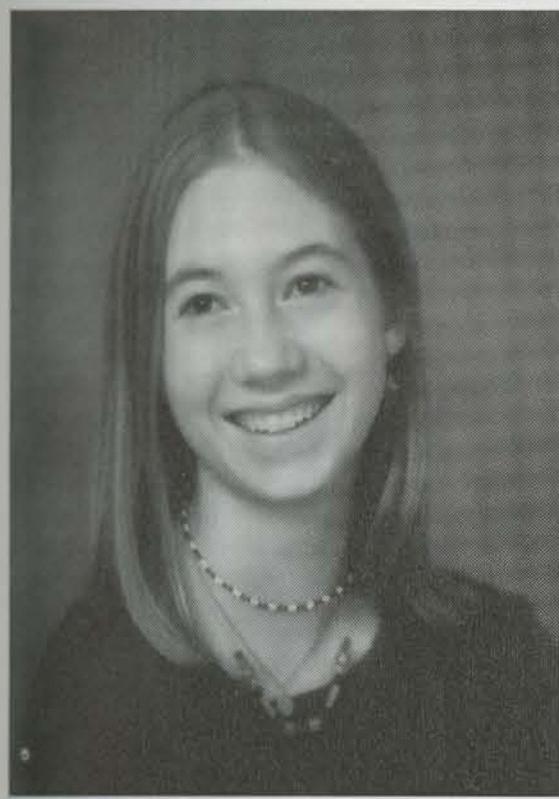
Paul E. Brooks

Clarion (4); Clarionette (4)

Darleen G. Carmenzino

Christopher J. Charlesworth

Clarionette (2,3,4), Editor in Chief (4); Band (1,2,3,4); Drum Line (1,2,3,4); Pep Band (1,2,3,4); Jazz Band (1,2,3); Foreign Language Club (1); Technology Club (2,3); Drama (1,2,3,4); Thespian (1,2,3,4); Orchesis (3); Science Club (3); Young Columbus Finalist (4); Library Club (1,2,3,4);



Emma Christensen

Drama (1,2,3); Thespians (2,3); Creative Writing (1,2,3); Brome and Beyond (3); Chess (1); History Club (3); Young Columbus Winner (3); Honor Roll (1,2,3); Early Graduation (3)

Karen N. Choi

Band (1,2,3,4); Drum Major (3,4); Chorus (1,2,3,4); Madrigals (3,4); Jazz Choir (1,2,3,4); Brome and Beyond (4) National Honor Society (4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Homecoming Queen (4); Senate (1); Illinois State Scholar (4); Musical (1,3); Orchesis (3,4); Key Club (1,2,3,4); History Club (4); CAPTAINS (4); Orchestra (1,2);Volleyball (1); Court Singers (1,2); All-State Chorus (4); National Merit Commended Student (4)

Sara E. Colba

Volleyball (1,2); Chorus (1,2); Math Club (1,2,3); Math Team (2); Jazz Choir (2)Key Club (3,4); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Honor Roll (1,2,3,4); Jets (4); Science Club (2); Scholastic Bowl (1,2); Musical (1)

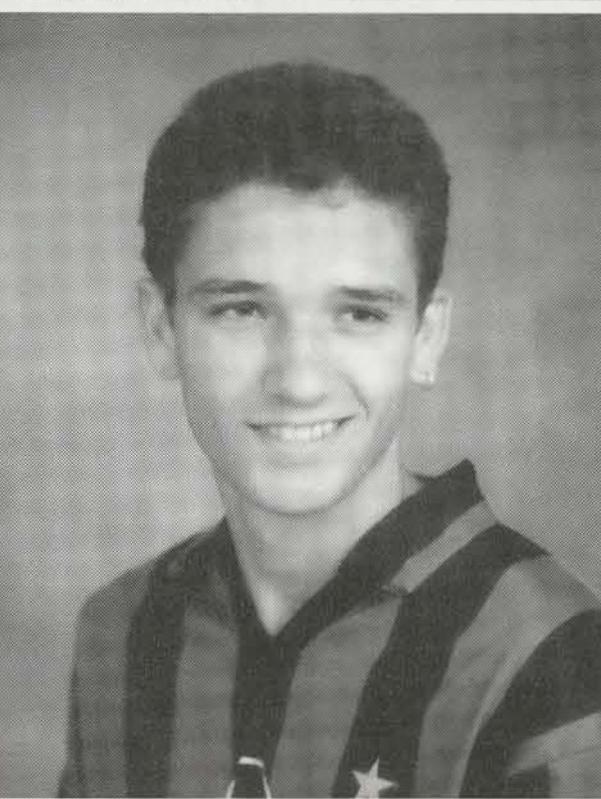
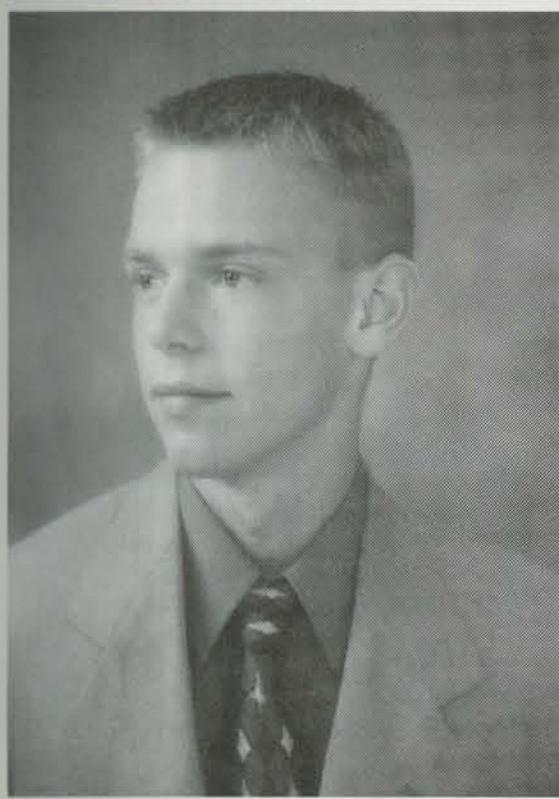
Bryan J. Corbitt

Football (1); Baseball (1,2); Cross Country (4); Track (4); Key Club (4); Who's Who Among American High School Students (3,4)

Amber Cortese

Andrew Cunningham

Soccer (1,2,3,4); Wrestling (4); Illinois State Scholar (4)



Erica Cunningham

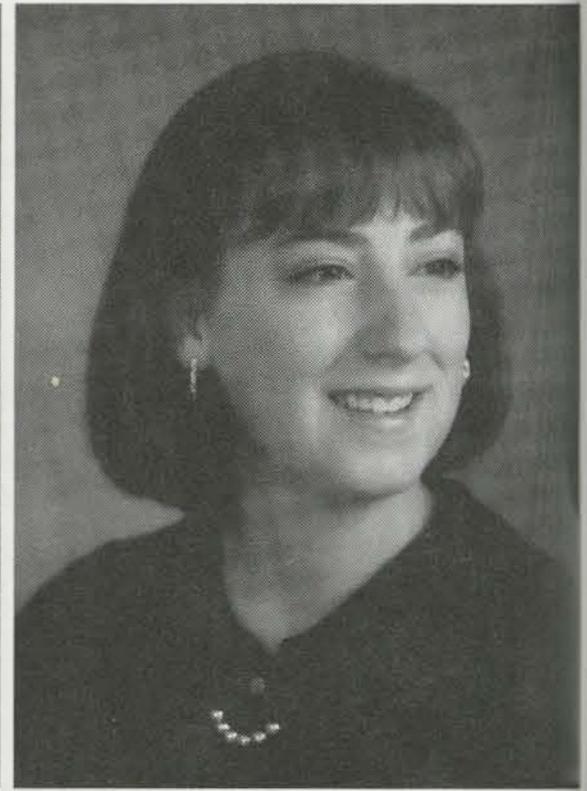
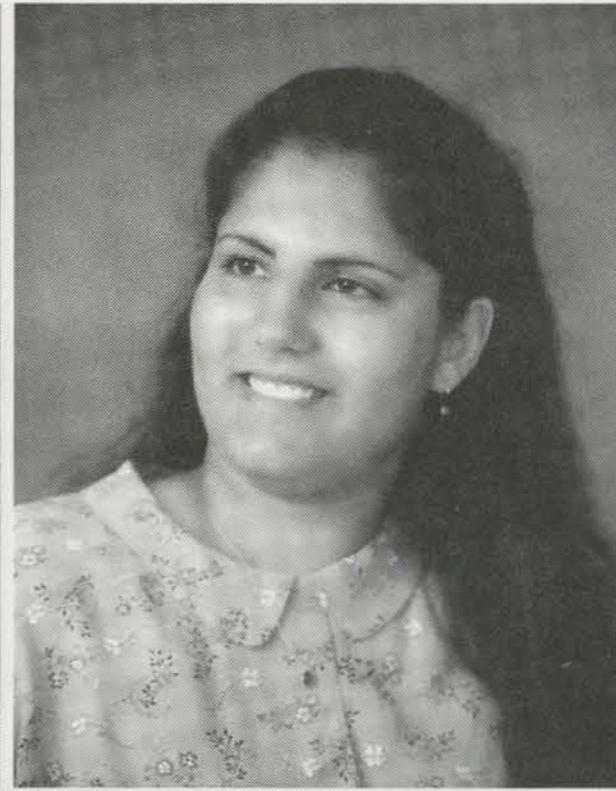
Key Club (3,4); Winter Guard (2,4); Chorus (1,2); Culture Club (3,4); Chess Club (2); Science Club (2); Illinois State Scholar (4); Mu Alpha Theta (4); Who's Who Among American High School Students (4)

Grace Dessa

Transfer (3); Volleyball (3); Soccer (3,4); Student Senate (4); Scholastic Bowl (3,4) Math Team (3,4); Key Club 3,4); Connections (3,4); Culture Club (4); Science Club (3)

Jill A. Donovan

Cross Country (1,2,3,4); Track (1,2,3,4); Basketball (1,2); CAPTAINS (4); Key Club (4); Band (1,2,3,4); Flags (1,2,3,4) Captain (2,3,4)

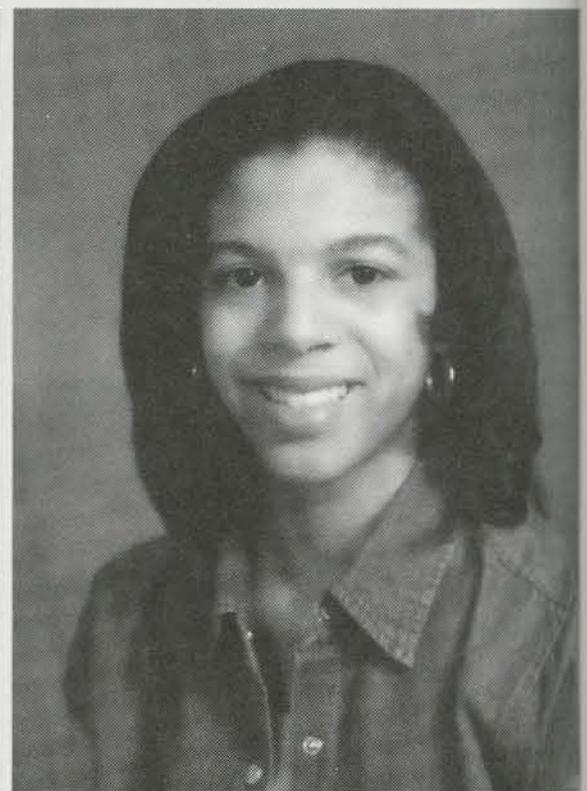


Emily S. Eaton

Rachel A. Flotkoetter

Julie L. Foster

Volleyball (1,2,3); Madrigals (3,4); Orchestra (1); Chorus (2,3,4) Jazz Vocal Ensemble (3)



Katie A. Foster

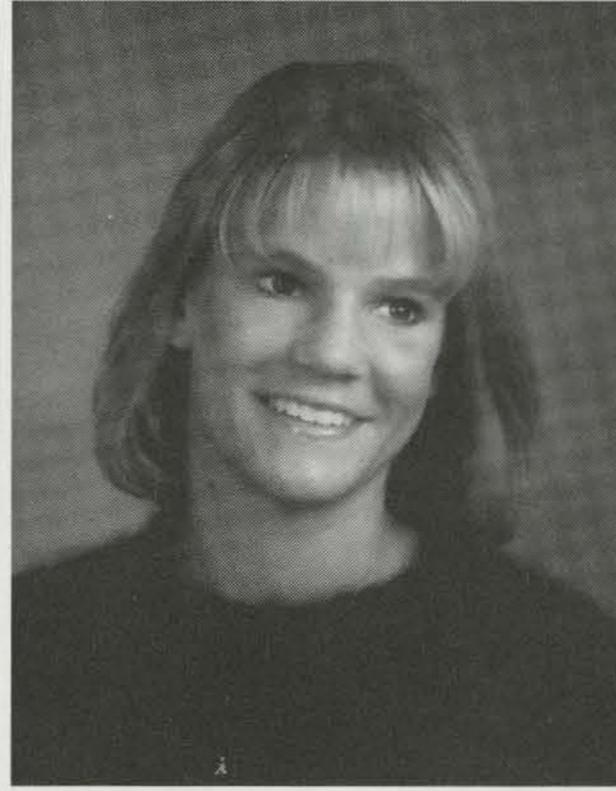
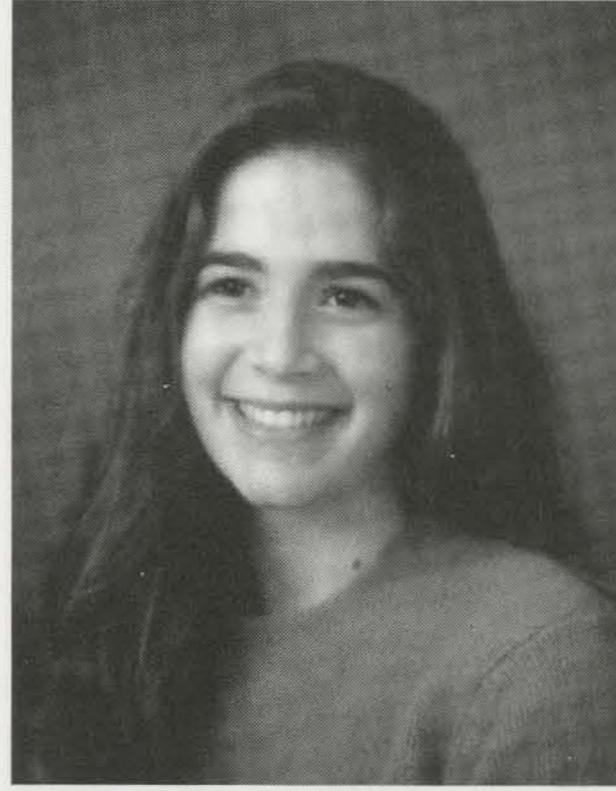
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Joanna M. Gerdes

Volleyball (1,2,3,4); Softball (1,2,3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); National Honor Society (4); Key Club (3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Honor Roll (1,2,3,4)

Brianna C. Gleason

Flags (3); Winter Guard (2,4); Clarionette (2); Key Club (2,3,4)



Deborah A. Goldfarb

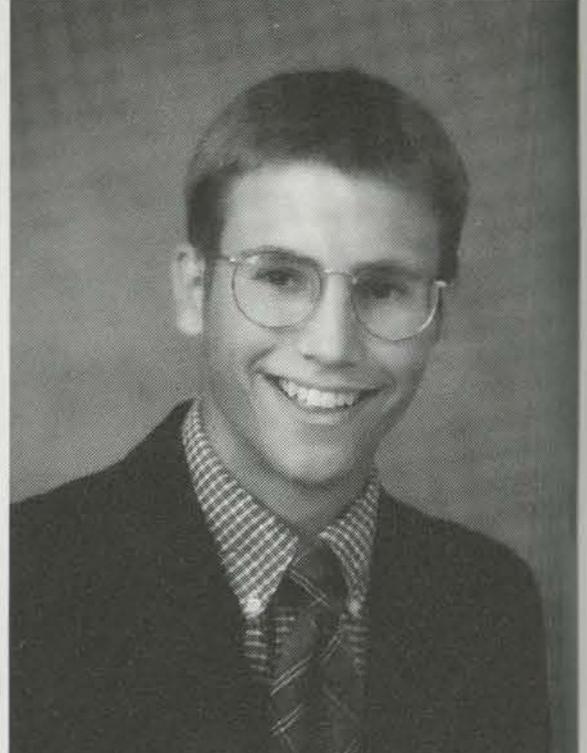
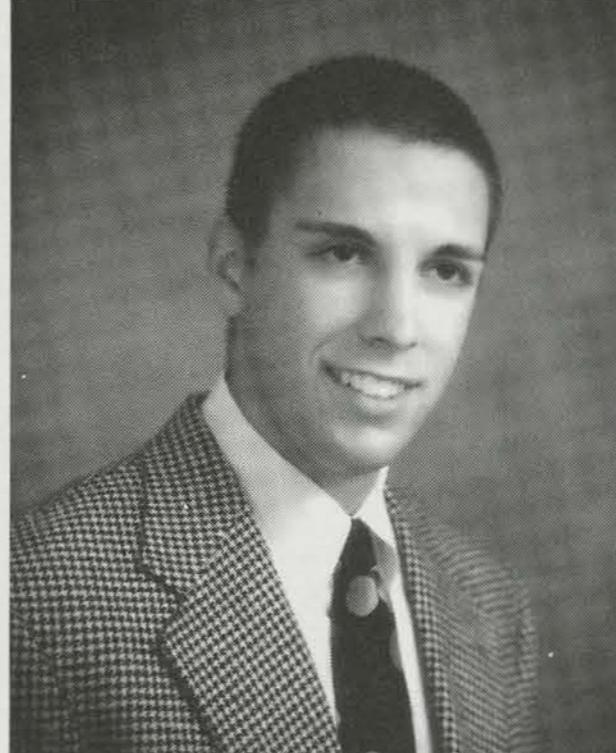
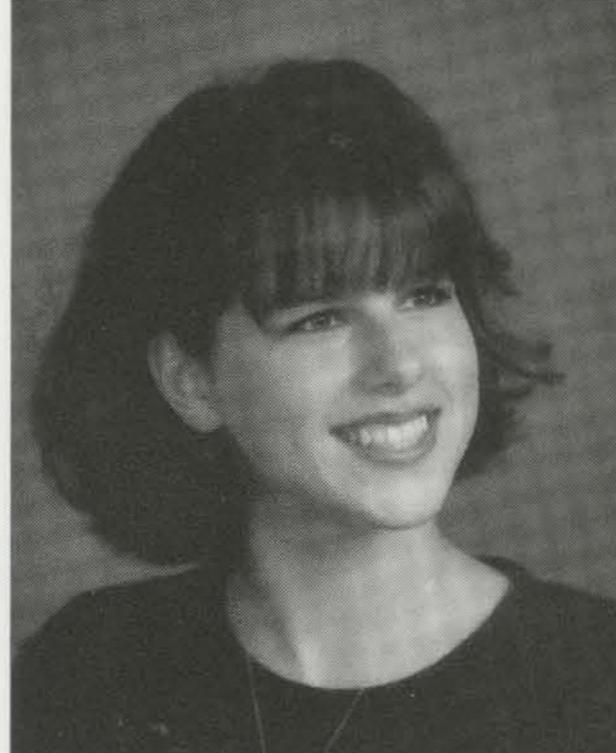
Soccer (2,3,4); Key Club (2,3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); History Club (3,4); Creative Writing (2,3,4); Brome and Beyond (4); Senate (1); Tennis (2); Honor Roll (1,2,4)

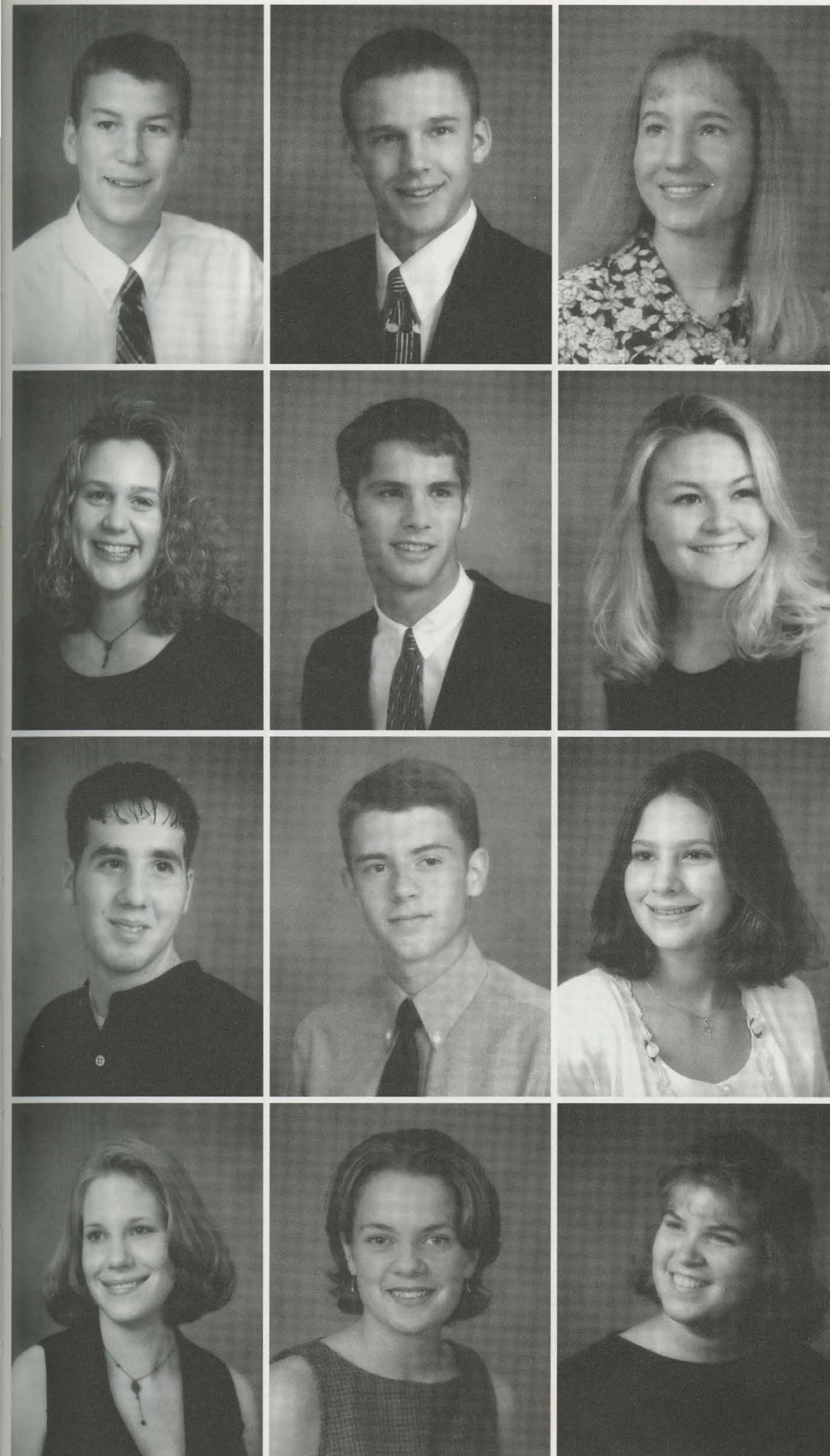
Andrew J. Golomb

Cross Country (2,3); Diving (1,2,3,4) Captain (3,4) MVP (3,4); Track (1,2,3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Debate (2,3,4); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Senate (1,4); Key Club (2,3,4)

David N. Griffith

Golf (2,3,4) Co-MVP (4); Key Club (2,3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Court Singers (3); Vocal Jazz (3,4); Senate, class secretary (4); Homecoming Court (4); Chorus (3,4); Art Club (1,2,3,4); 5th Step (4); Who's Who Among American High School Student (3,4)





Mark E. Harris

Swimming (1,2,3,4) Co-Captain (3,4); Senate (1,2,3,4)
Class Treasurer (2,3) Vice President (4); Honor Roll
(1,2,3,4); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha
Theta (3,4); Pantagraph Student of the Year Nominee
(4)

Kyle J. Hayes

Baseball (1,2,3,4); Basketball (1,2); Cross Country (4);
Key Club (4); Captains (3,4); National Honor Society
(4)

Tricia A. Henric

Molly A. Hodel

Swimming (1,2,3,4) Captain (4); chorus (1,2,3,4); Band
(1); Madrigals (3); Vocal Jazz (2,3,4); Senate (1,3,4)
CAPTAINS (3,4); Key Club (3,4); National Honor
Society (3,4); Honor Roll (1,2,3,4); Prom Chair (3);
Who's Who Among American High School Students
(4); Who's Who Among American High School
Athletes (4)

Ryan M. Hoelting

Kristin R. Hoepner

Erik J. Horna

Ryan H. Hosch

Brian D. Houghton

Soccer (1,2,3); Football (4); Wrestling (1); Baseball
(1,2)

Meghan I. Howe

Lindsay K. Hunt

Volleyball (1); Tennis (2); Basketball (1,2,3,4); Softball
(1,2,3,4); Homecoming Court (4); Honor Roll (2,3,4)

Rebecca S. Ifft

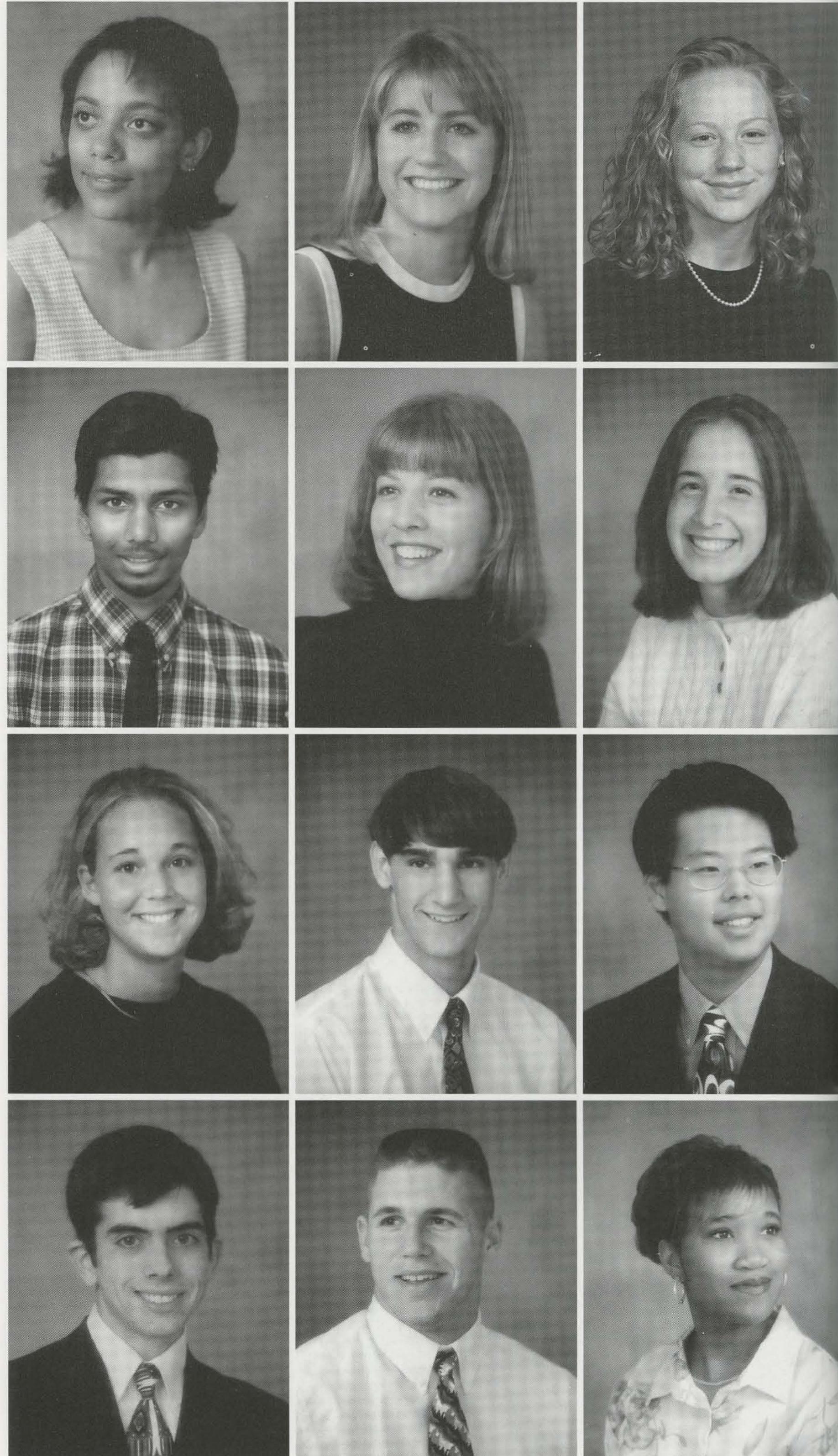
Volleyball (1); Key Club (4); History Club (4); Culture
Club (4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); CAPTAINS (4)

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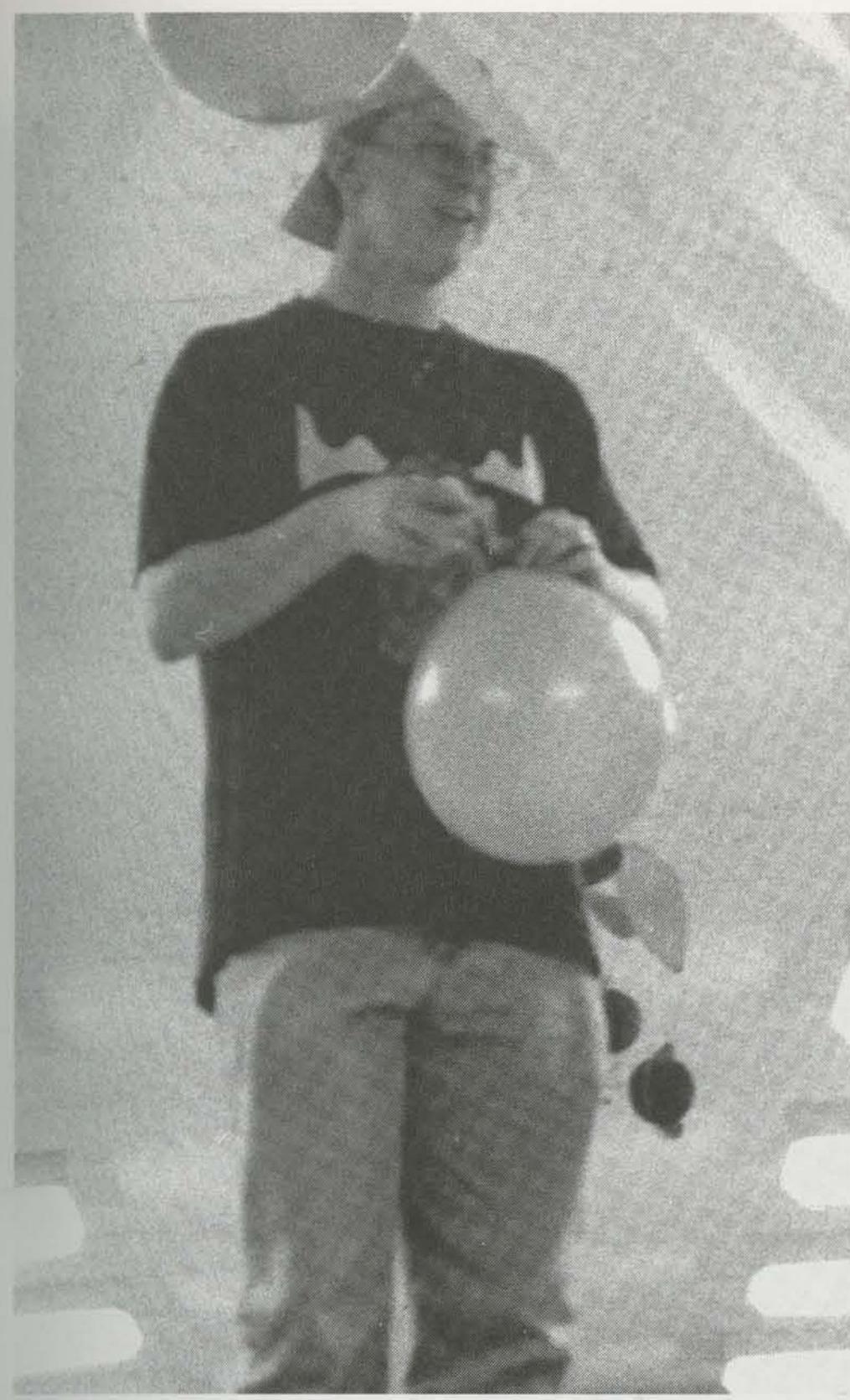
Basketball (1,2); Track and Field (1,2); Senate (2,3,4); Key Club (4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Connections (4); Prom Committee (3); Honor Roll (1,2,3,4)

Julia C. Jarvis

Cross Country (2,3,4); Soccer (3); Senate (1,2,3,4); Secretary (4); Key Club (10,11,12); Culture Club (2,3,4); History Club (3,4); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); CAPTAINS Executive Board (3,4); Creative Writing Club (1,2,3,4); Pantagraph Student of the Year Finalist (4)

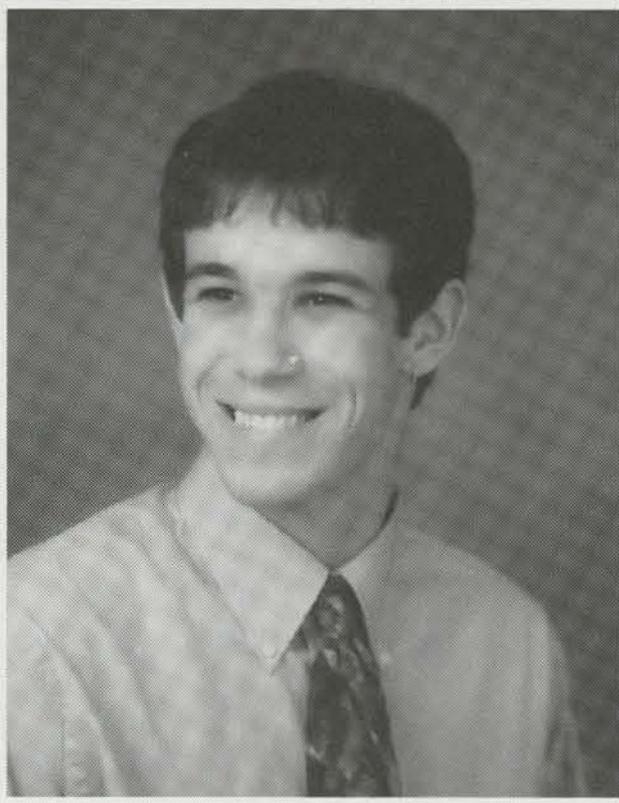
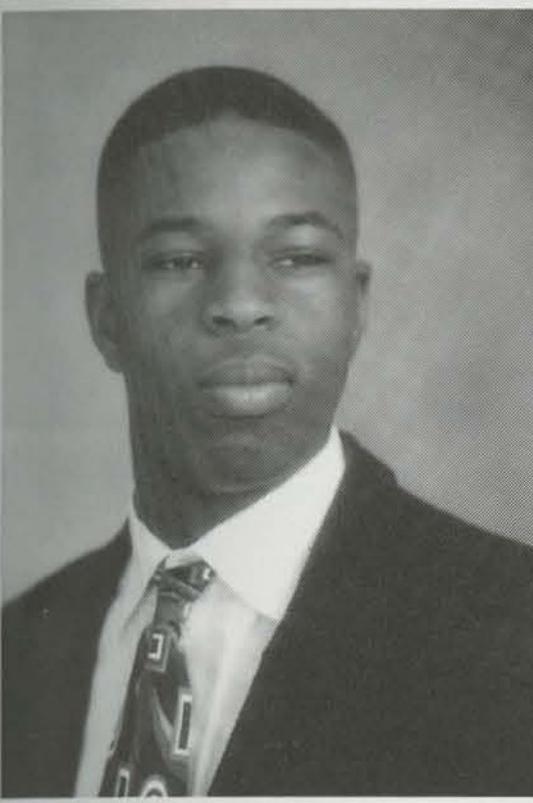
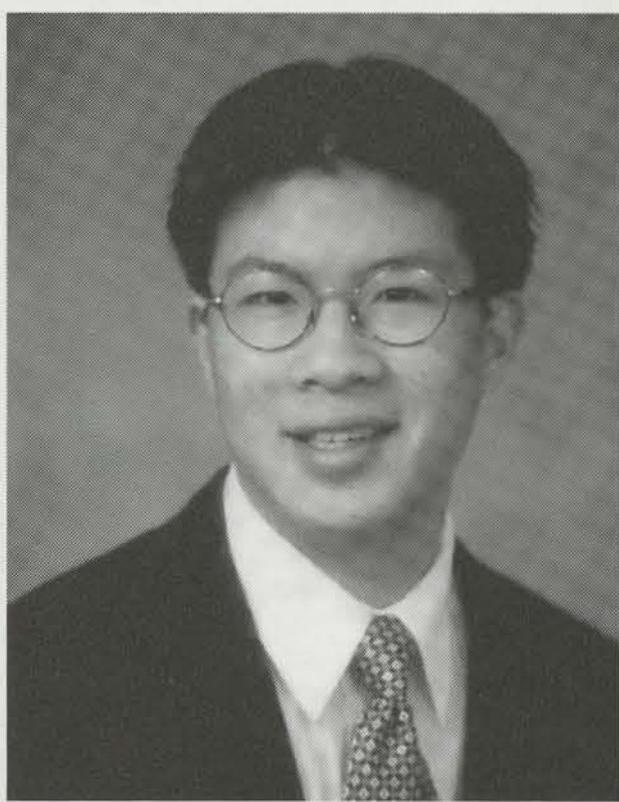


Travis R. Kearney
Wade C. Kennedy
La'eeqa Khalilallah



Left: Senior Ben Miller helps decorate the lounge area during the homecoming hall decorating contest.

Below: At most schools the library is a place to study and search for information regarding students classes and reports. U-High students are lucky, as a part of Illinois State University, we have access to Milner, and learn early on how to use a college library. As the senior class emerges into the college scene they are grateful for their knowledge. The library at U-High is not put to waste however, U-High's library under the supervision of Kathy Oberhart and Mark Feaster is the hub of internet access at U-high and a prime place for socialization. Here, seniors Grace Dessa, Jill Donovan and Karen Choi gather in the library for good times, and maybe they will pick up a little information to take back to class.



Stephanie E. Kiesewetter

Clarion (3,4) Editor (4); Clarionette (3,4); Brome and Beyond (4); Creative Writing Club (4); Key Club (1); Musical (1); Winter Guard (2); Honor Roll (2,3,4); Who's Who Among American High School Students (4)

John K. Kim

Student Body President (4); Class President (2); Clarionette News Editor (4); Senate (1,2,3,4) Clarion (4); Scholastic Bowl (1,2,3,4); Speech (1,2,3); Debate (4); Student of the Year (3,4); Normal Rotary Student of the Month (4); Tennis (1,2,4); Homcoming Court (4); Golf (1,2); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Key Club (1,2,3); Illinois State Scholar (4); Math Team (1,2,3); Madrigals (2,3,4); Chorus (1,2,3,4); Principal LeadershipScholar(4); Honor Roll (1,2,3,4); Jazz Band (2,3); Fellowship of Christian Athletes (4); Who's Who Among American High School Students (1,2,3,4)

Danielle N. Lewis

Michael A. Lockhart

Football (1,2,3,4); Track (1,2,3,4); Wrestling (1); Math Club (1,2,3); Culture Club (1,2,3); Honor Roll (1,2,3,4); CAPTAINS (2,3,4); Key Club (1,2); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Illinois State Scholar (4)

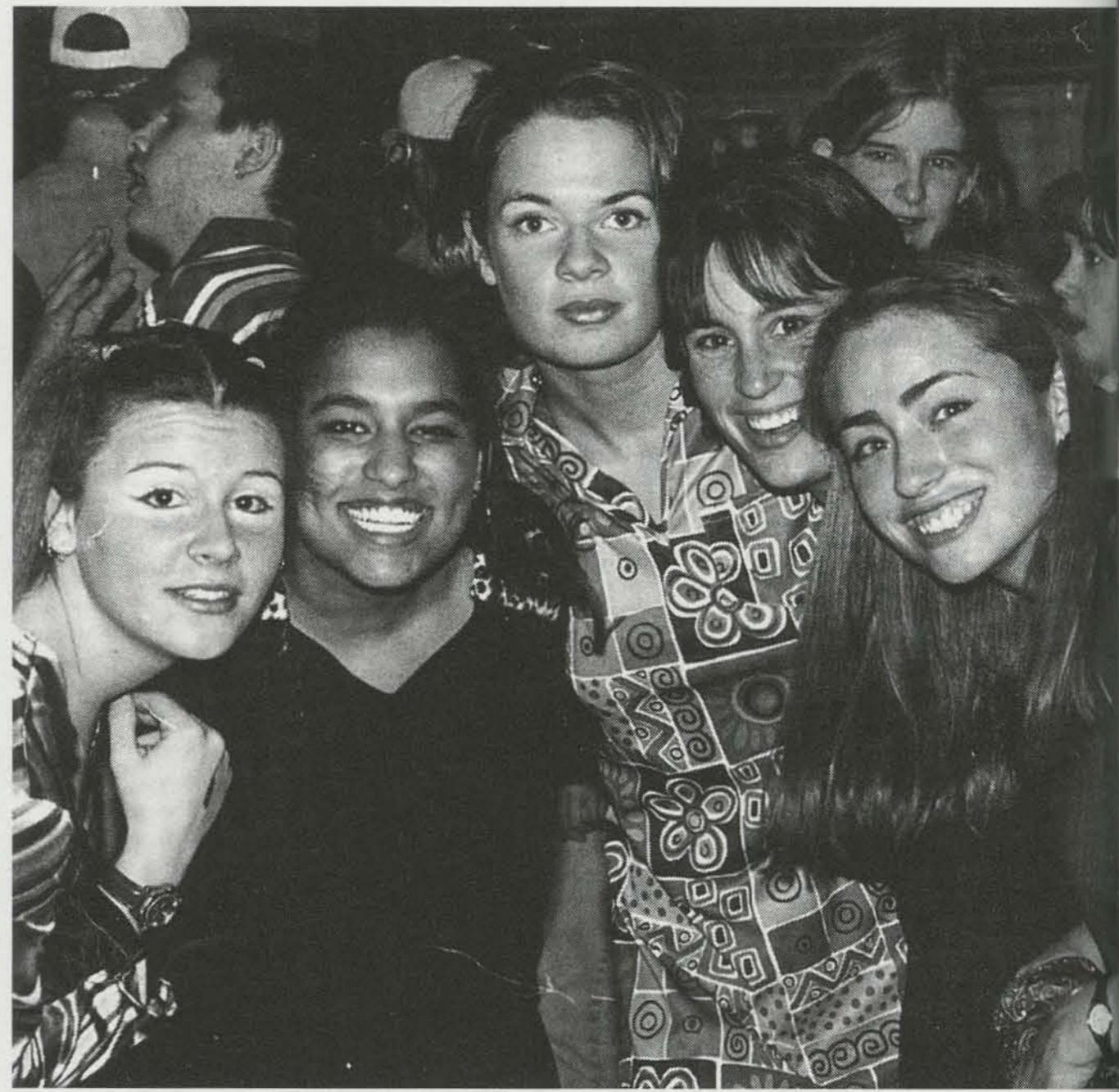
Jacob D. Lohman

Jamie D. Lutes



Left: A rather large group of Senior girls gather together in a clump. The best thing about being a senior is that you can have a good time because you no longer care what the upper classmen think of you... YOU ARE THE UPPER CLASSMEN!!!

Below: Jamie Nafziger, Nicole Rainey, Lindsey Hunt, Kristi Witherow and Jessica Han having a good time at the decade dance.



Mario D. Marshall

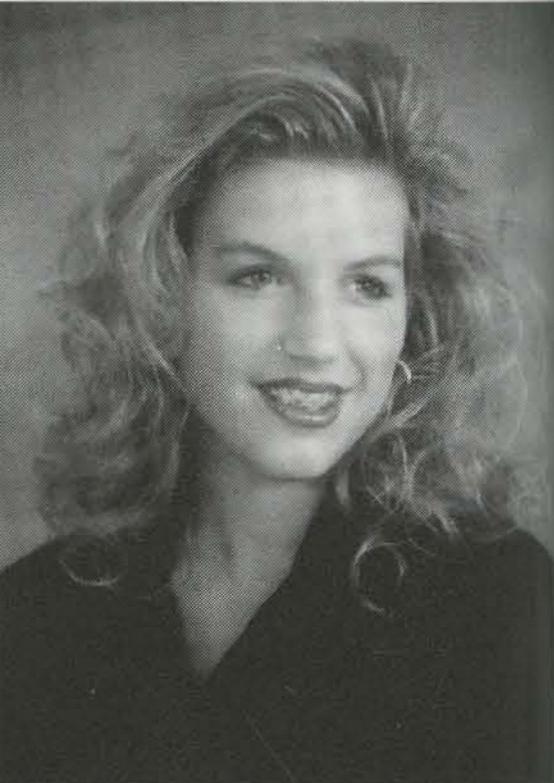
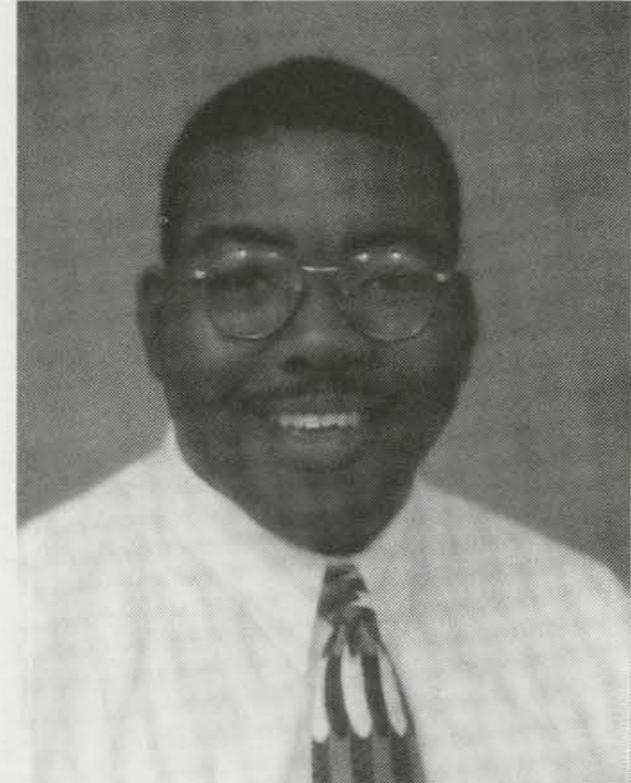
Football (1,2,3,4); Basketball (2); Track (1)

Rebecca R. Martin

Key Club (1,2,3,4); Science Club (2,3); Earth Club (2,3); Culture Club (4); Illinois State Scholar (4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Who's Who Among American High School Students (3,4)

Molly C. McCambridge

Cheerleadin (1,2,3,4) Captain (4); Senate (1,2,3,4); Socail Co-Chair (3,4); Softball (1,2) Thespians (1,2,3,4); Chorus (1,2,3,4); Orchesis (3,4); Key Club (3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Drama Club (1,2,3,4); Homcoming Court (4); Prom Co-Chair (3); Who's Who Among American High School Students



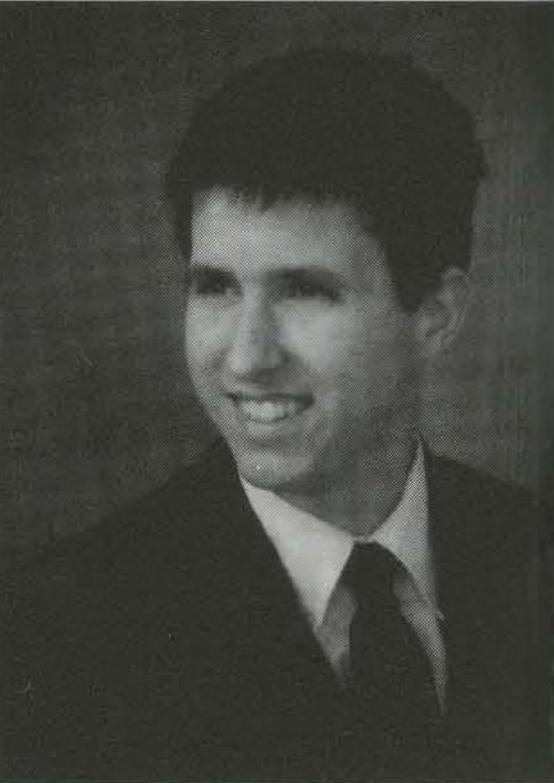
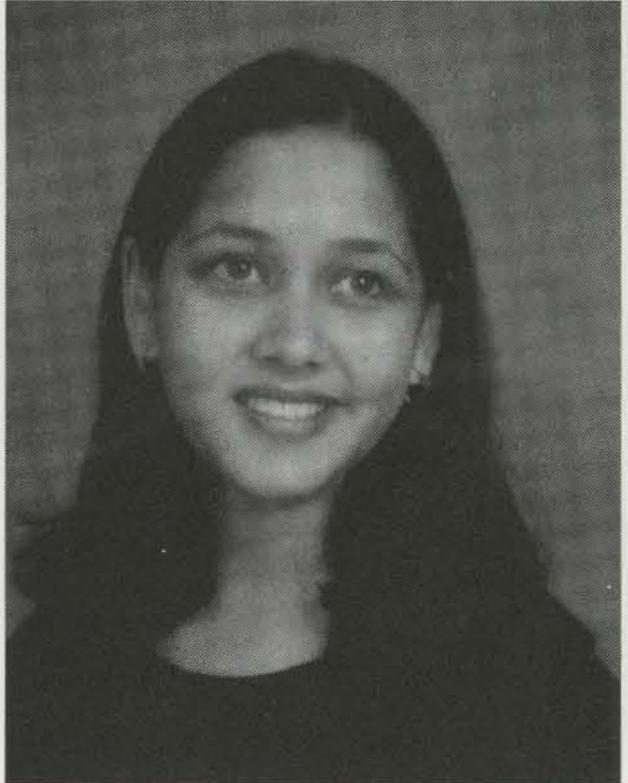
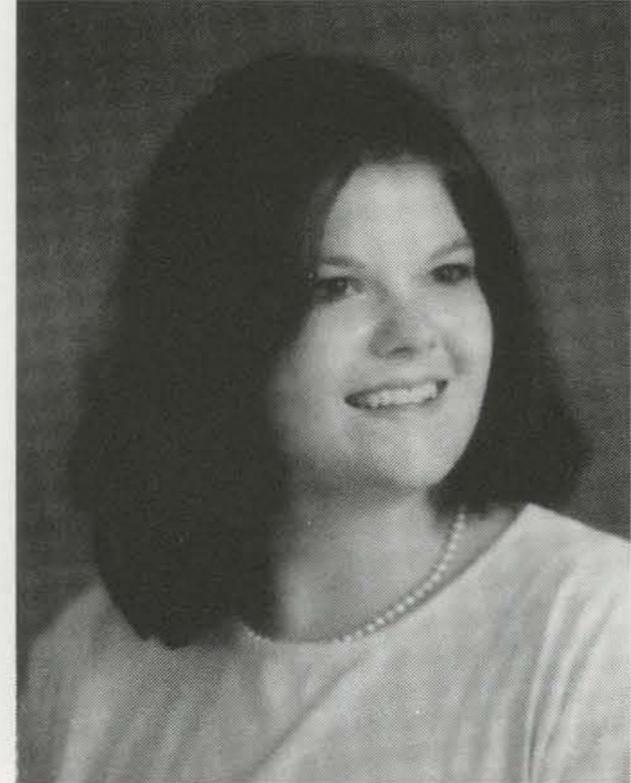
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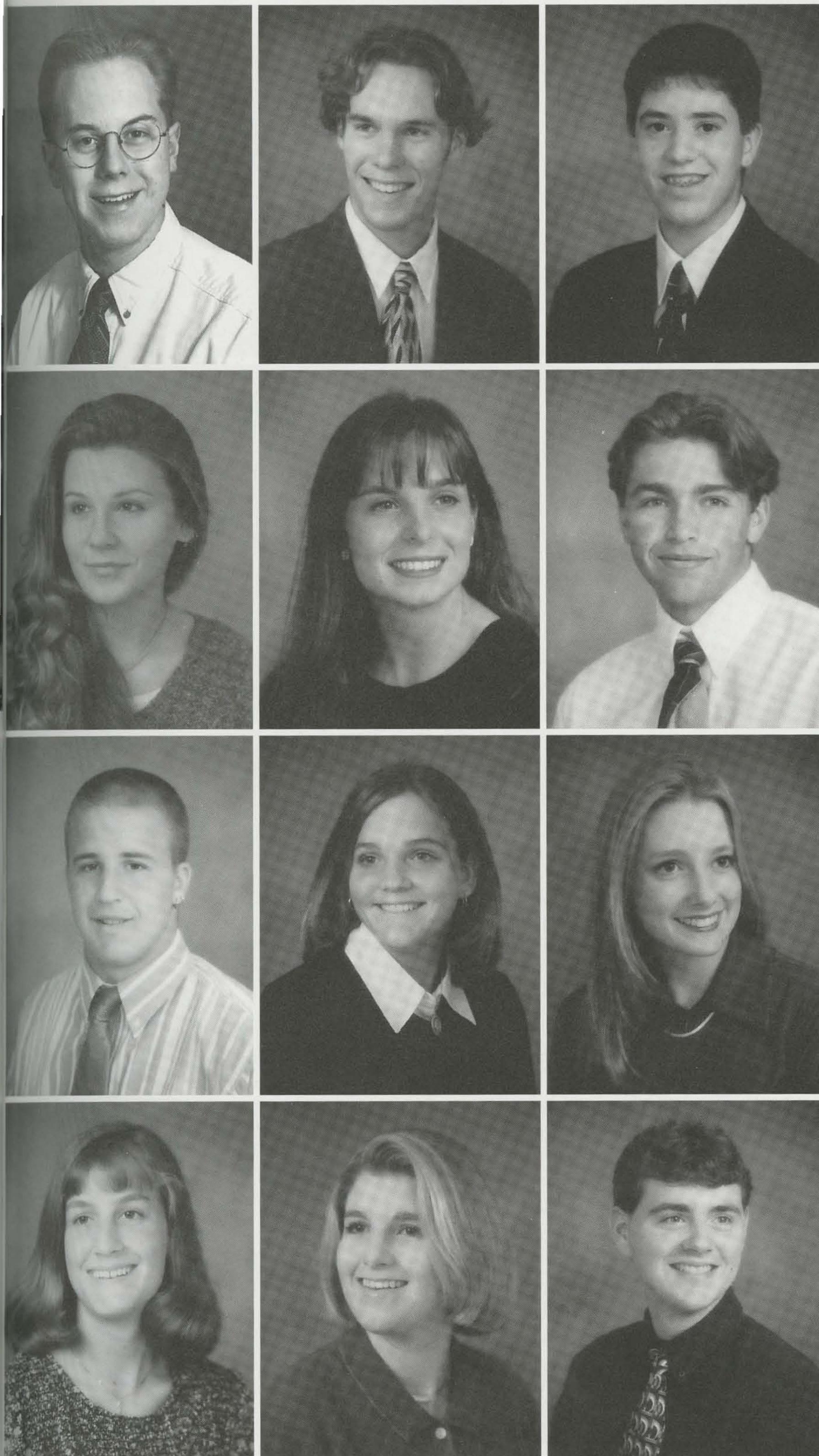
Avani D. Mehta

Transfer (3)

Robert D. Mentzer

Creative Writing Club (1,2,3,4); Brome and Beyond Editor (4)





Benjamin J. Miller

Drama (1,2,3,4); Thespians (1,2,3,4); Chorus (1,2,3); Court Singers (1,2,3); Jazz (1,2,3); Business Manager of Clarion, Clarionette (3,4); Bible Study (1,2,3,4); District Jazz (3)

Mark V. Moon

Jason A. Moreland

Jamie G. Naffziger

Volleyball (1); Basketball (1,2,3); Softball (1,2,3,4); Honor Roll (4)

Michelle C. Natzke

CAPTAINS (4); Clarion (4); Clarionette (4); One Acts (3); Track (1,2); Swimming (1,2); Key Club (1)

Michael G. Nelson

Soccer (1,2,3,4); Wrestling (1,2,3,4); Track (1,2,3,4);

Anthony P. Niebur

Soccer (1,2,3,4); Wrestling (1,2,3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Hessman Scholar Athlete Nominee. Pantagraph Scholar Athlete; Who's Who Among American High School Students

Lindsey A. O'Neil

Jennifer M. Objartel

Shelly M. Oliver

Cross Country (1,2,3,4); CAPTAINS (4); Track (1,2,3,4); JETS (3,4); Math Team (4); Graduation Marshal (3); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); CAPTAINS (4); Rotary Club Student of the Month (4); Orchestra (1,2)

Erica B. Otto

Volleyball (2,3,4); Art Club (2,3,4)

David J. Phillips

Jay W. Powell
Nidhi Puri

Key Club (1,2,3,4); Student Senate (4); Culture Club (1,2,3,4); Track (1,2,4); Math Club (1,2,3,4); Math Team (1,2,3,4); Scholastic Bowl (1,2); Volleyball (2); CAPTAINS (3,4); Spanish Student of the Year (3); Pantagraph Student of the Year

Andrew G. Radar

Football (1,2,3,4) Captain (3,4) MVP (4); Baseball (1,2,3,4) Captain (3,4); Basketball (1); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); National Honor Society (3,4)



Rebecca L. Roediger

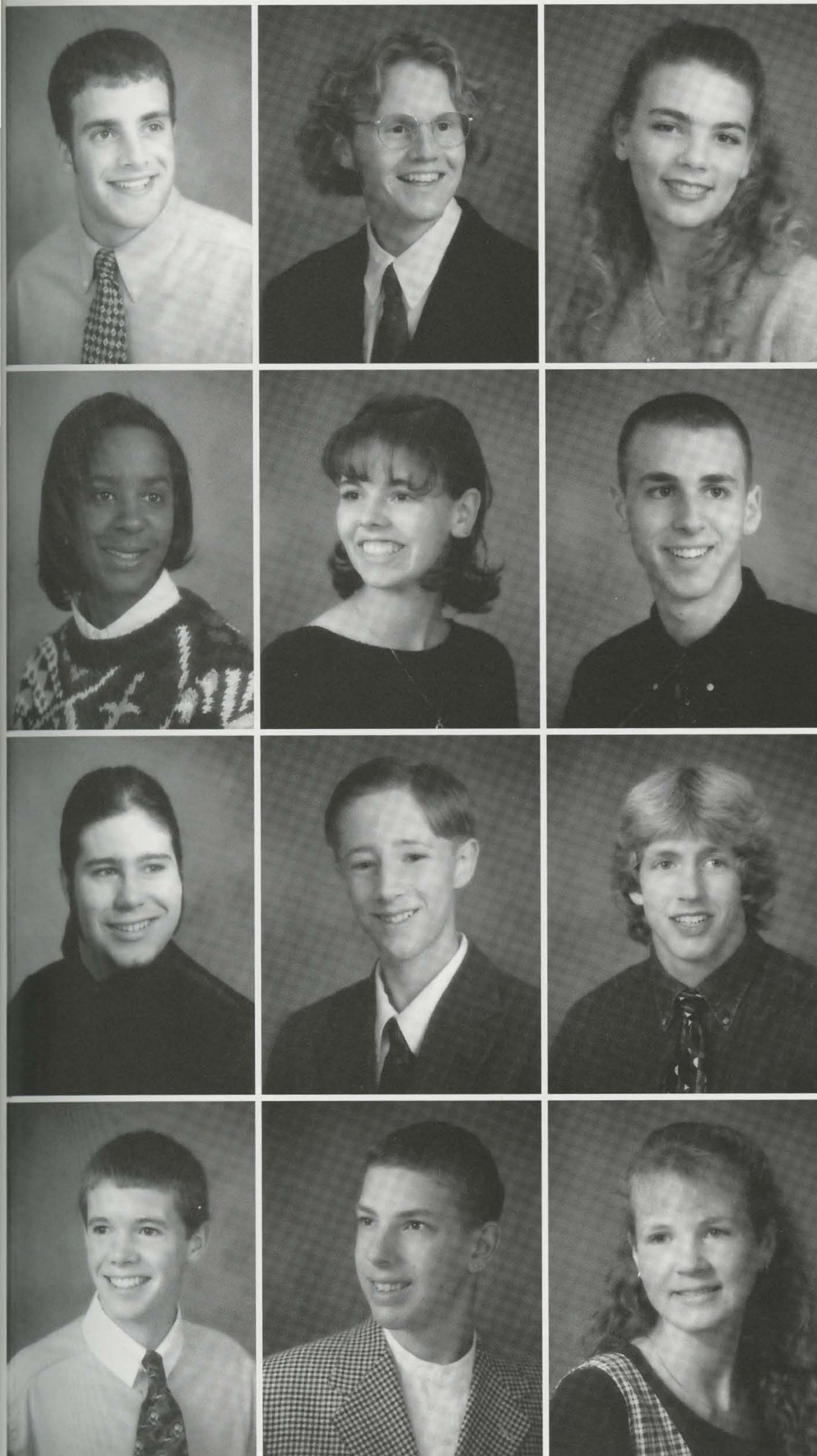
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Kurt A. Sanders

Madrigal Brass (2,4); Creative Writing Club (3,4); Jazz Band (4); Brome and Beyond (4)

Trudi K. Schoening

Softball (1,2); Art Club (2,3,4); Science Club (3,4); Creative Writing Club (2,3,4); Key Club (2,3,4); Flags (3); Winterguard (2); Musical (3,4)



Chad M. Schulz

Football (1,2,3,4) Captain (4); Basketball (1,2,); Track (1,2); Swimming (4); Honor Roll (3,4; Key Club (4); Who's Who Among American High School Students

Matthew J. Schwietzer

Megan R. Shepston

Melanie Y. Shinault

Track (1); Basketball (1,2,3,4); Cross Country (4)

Elizabeth A. Skolmoski

Transfer (3); Tennis (3,4); Key Club (3,4); CAPTAINS (4); Orchesis (3,4); Who's Who Among American High School Students

Jeremy J. Stanton

Andrew E. Steadman

Orchestra (1,2,3,4); Thespian (1,2,3,4); Chorus (2,3,4); Madrigals (3,4); Jazz Chior (3,4); IMEA District Jazz Chior (3,4); IMEA District Chorus (3,4); IMEA All-State Chorus (3); IMEA All-State Honor Chorus (4); Journalism (3); 5th Step (4)

Gregory C. Stephens

Tennis (1,2,3,4); Scholastic Bowl (2,3,4); Math Club (1,2,3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Key Club (4); Science Clu (2,3); Culture Club (2,3,4); CAPTAINS (4); Marching Band Section Leader (2,3)

Adam R. Steuk

Football (1,2,3,4); Wrestling (1); Honor Roll (3,4)

John P. Stuckey

Jeremy W. Studebaker

Nicole M. Swanson

Transfer (3); Key Club (3,4); Culture Club (3,4); Cross Country (4); Track (4); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Illinois State Scholar (4)

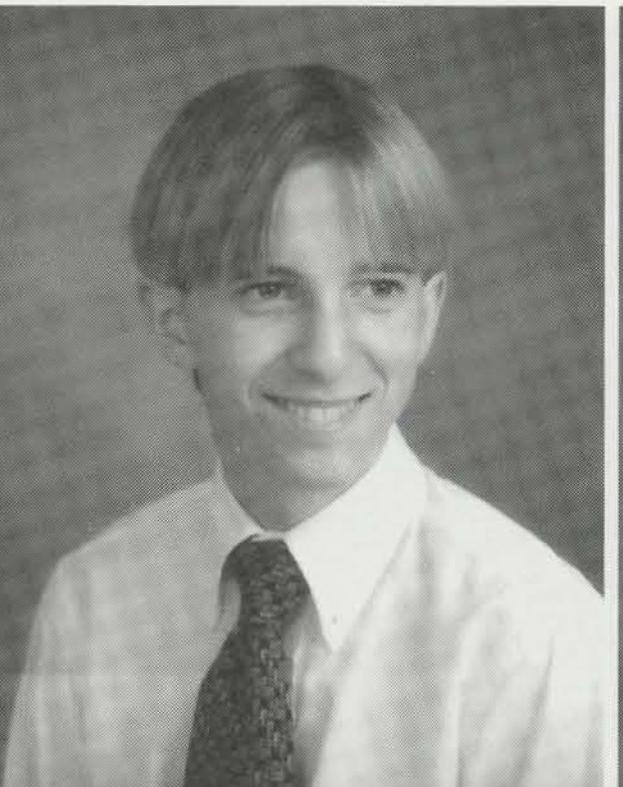
Giang M. Tang

Key Club (2,3,4); Culture Club (3,4); Senate (3,4); Chess Club (1,2,3,4); Poms (4); Junior Class President (3); CAPTAINS (3); Who's Who Among American High School Students (2,3,4)

Jeremy D. Tessendorf

Stacia L. Thetard

Golf (1,2,3,4); Art Club (1,2,3,4); Brome and Beyond (4); Clarion (4); Clarionette (4); Chorus (1,2,3)



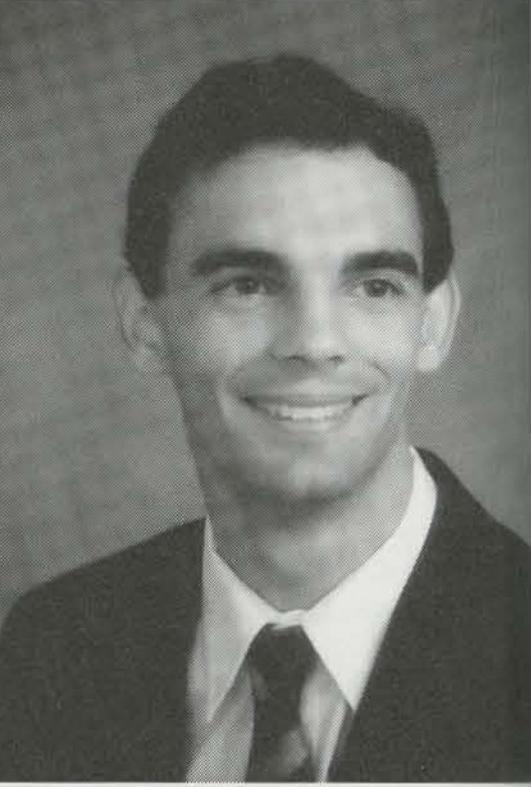
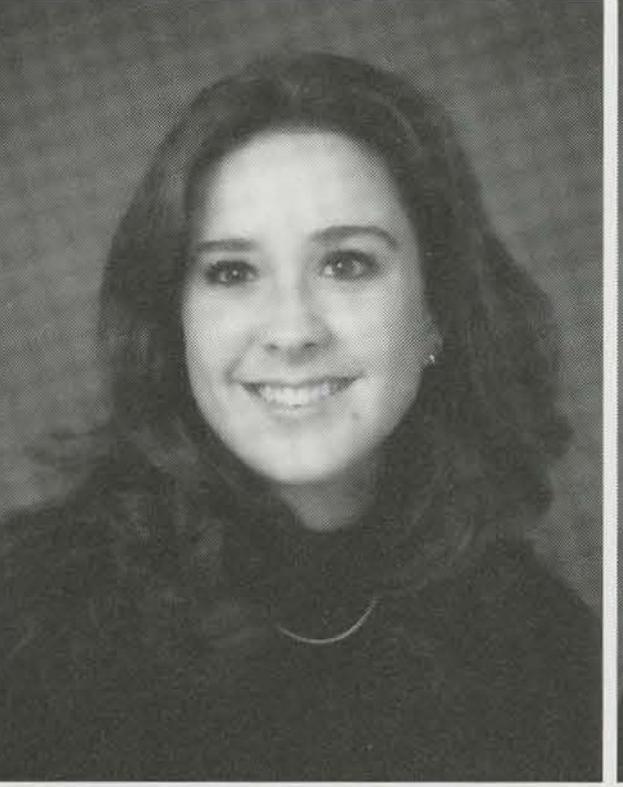
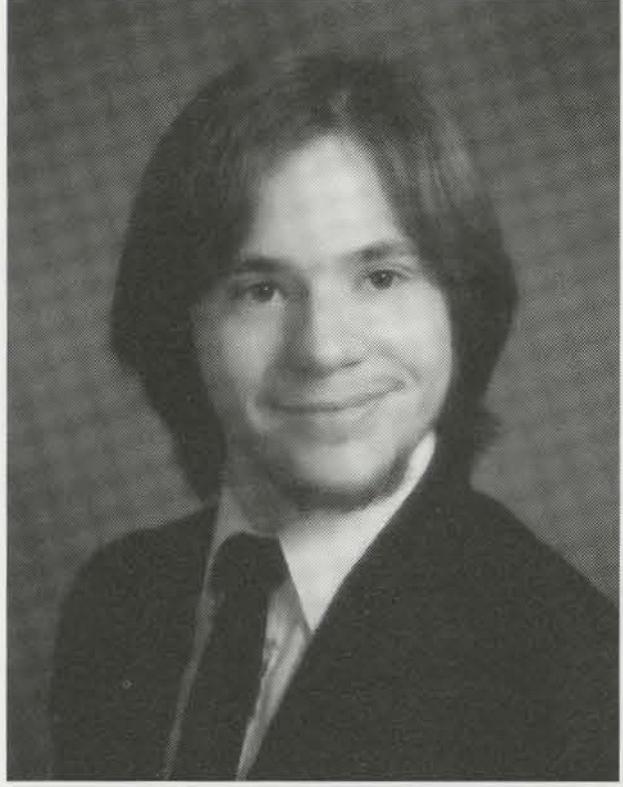
Gary P. Thompson II

Jessica Thomalinson

Transfer (2); Early Graduation (3)

Michael W. Toepke

Jets (3,4,); Scholastic Bowl (1,3,4); Cross Country (1,2,3,4); Track (3,4); Basketball (1); Baseball (1,2)

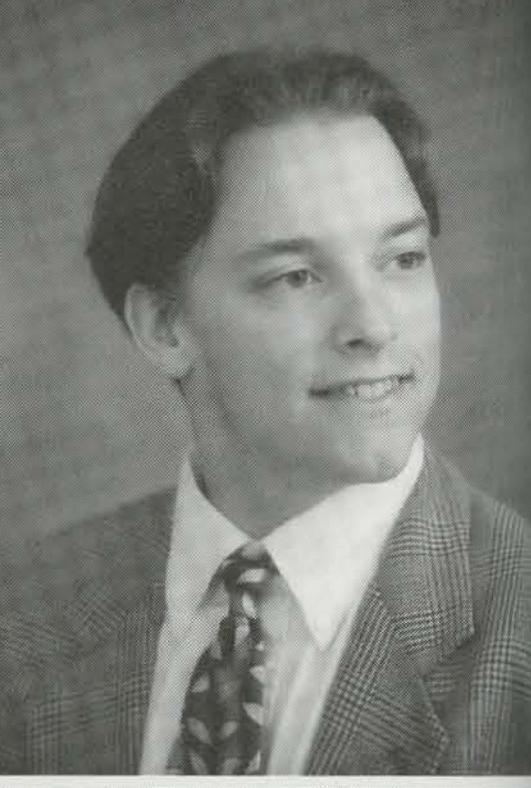
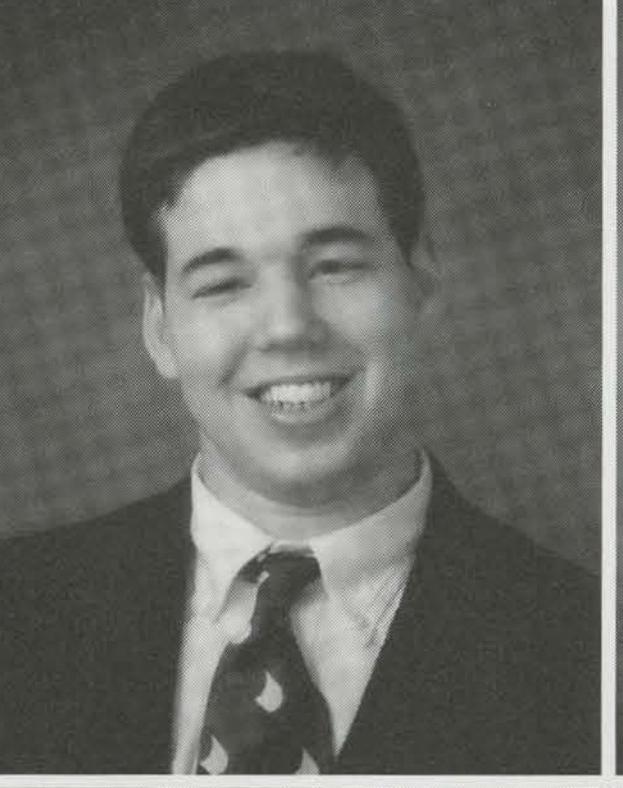
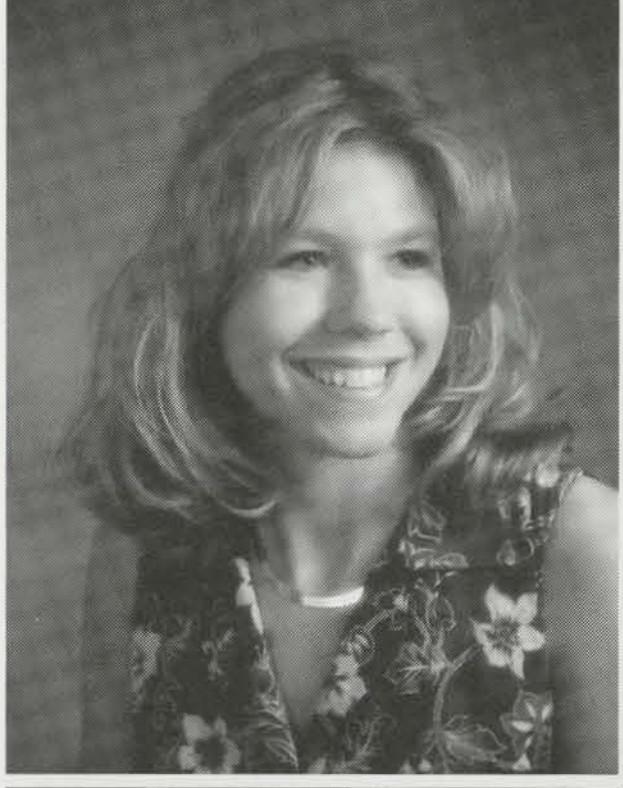


Jamie L. Troutman

Transfer (2); Alternatives (2); Basketball (2); Track (3,4); Connections (4); Clarionette Sports Editor (3,4); Clarion (3,4); Who's Who Among American High School Students (2,3)

Jacob P. Ulrich

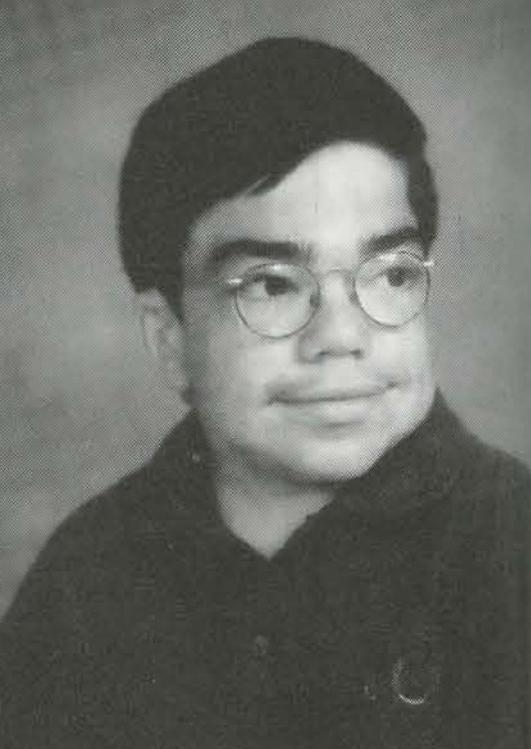
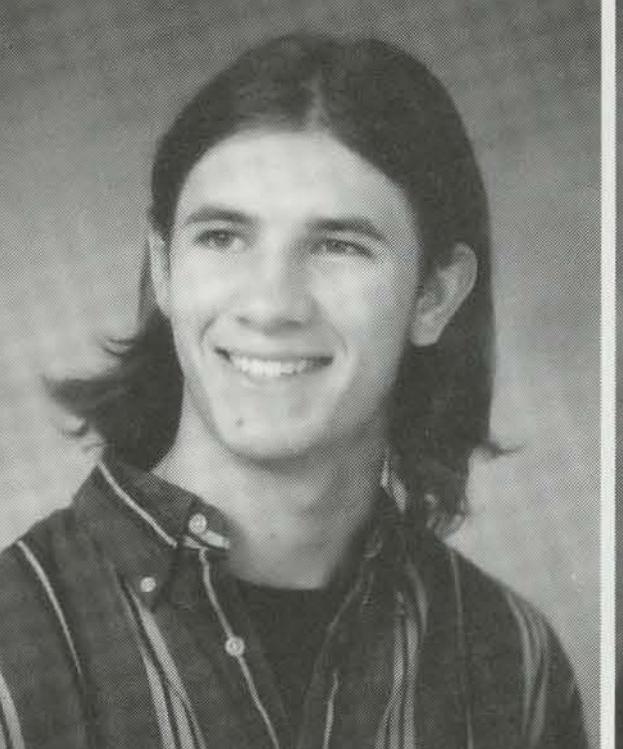
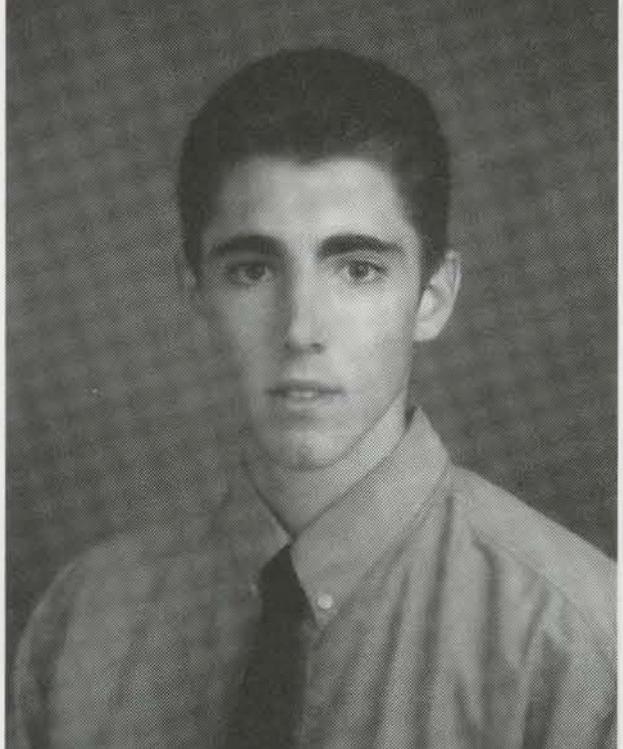
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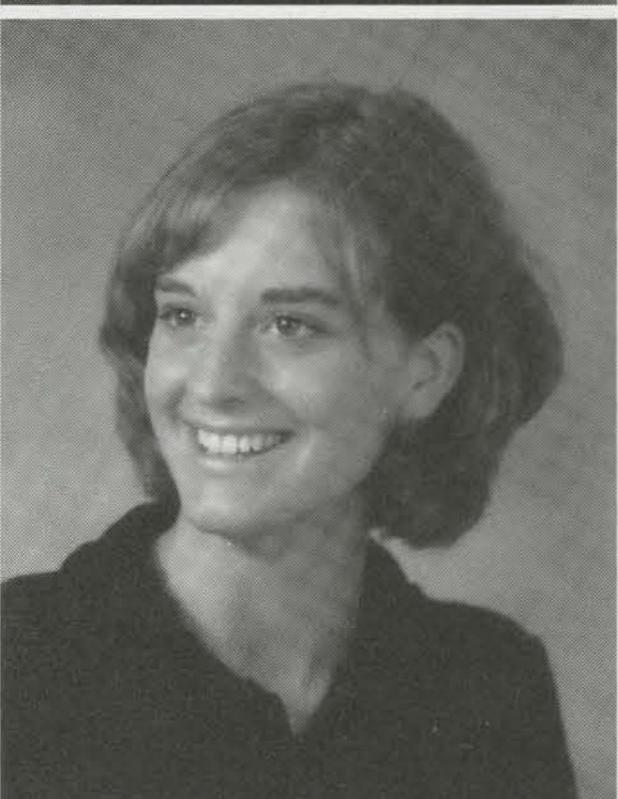
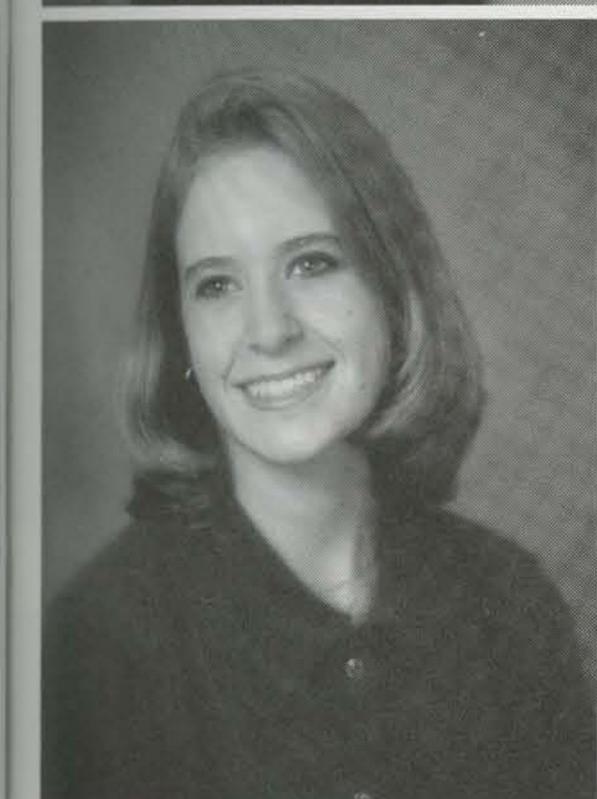
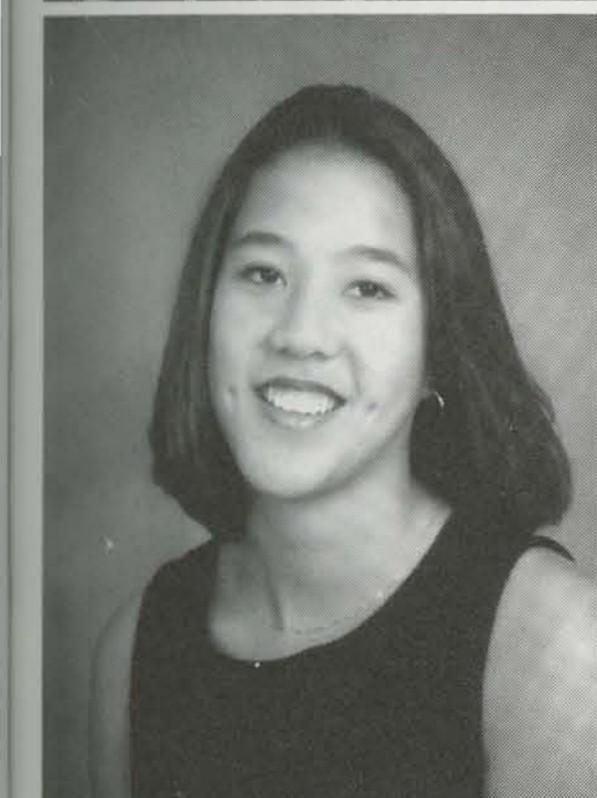
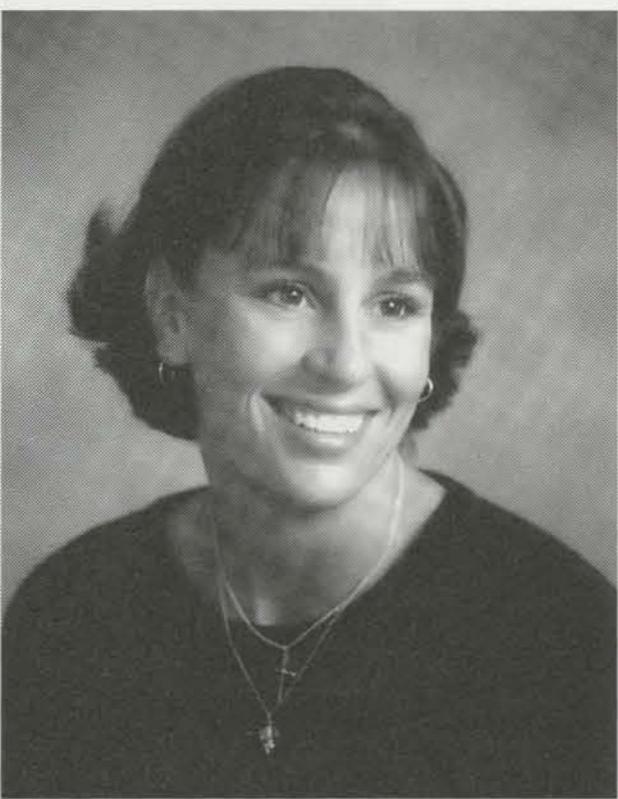
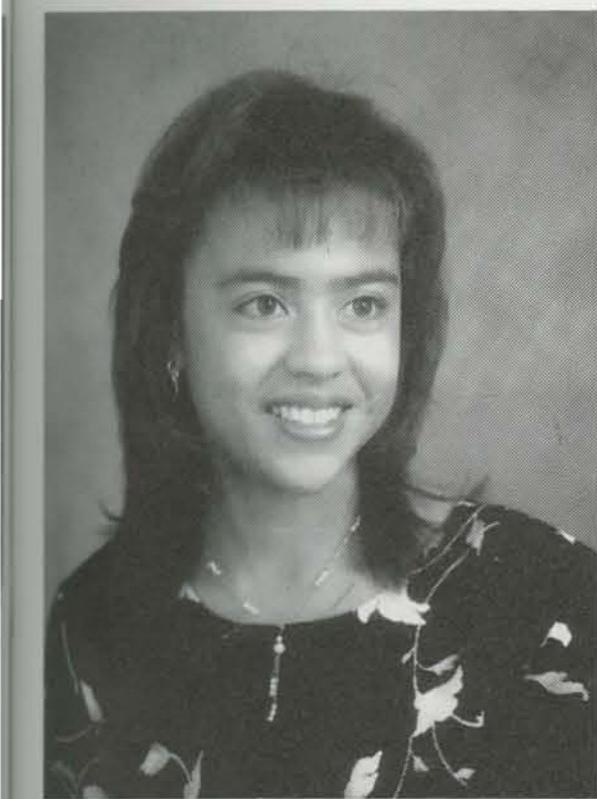


Ryan Vanderwerf

Jacob Wallgreen

Stephen Weaver





Tomeika R. Williams

Kristine M. Witherow

Volleyball (1,2,3,4); Softball (1,2,3,4); Cheerleading (4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Key Club (3,4); Connections (3,4); National Honor Society (3,4); AOD Committee (3) Honor Roll (1,2,3,4); Sport Varsity Award (4); Who's Who Among American High School Student (3,4); All Conference Softball (3)

Emily C. Yee

Key Club (1,2,3,4); Key Club President (3,4); Senate (1,3,4); Culture Club (1,2,3,4); Connections (1,2,3); National Honor Society (3,4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Illinois State Scholar (4); Jets (4); Tennis (1,2,3,4); Tennis (1,2,3,4); Paragraph Student of the Year Finalist (4); Scholastic Bowl (1,2,3); Math Club (1,2,3); Band (1,2,4)

Judy B. Yin

Tennis (1,2,3); Basketball (1,2,3,4); Diving (4); Softball (1,2,3,4); Senate (1,2,3,4); National Honor Society (4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); CAPTAINS Executive Board (3,4); Wendy's High School Heisman Award (3); Key Club (4); Homecoming Court (4); Creative Writing Club (1,2,3,4); Culture Club (4);

Megan S. Yontz

Swimming (1,2,3,4) Co-Captain (4); Key Club (1,2,3,4); CAPTAINS (3,4); Hono Roll (1,2,3,4); National Honor Society (4); Mu Alpha Theta (3,4); Connections; Homecoming Court (4)

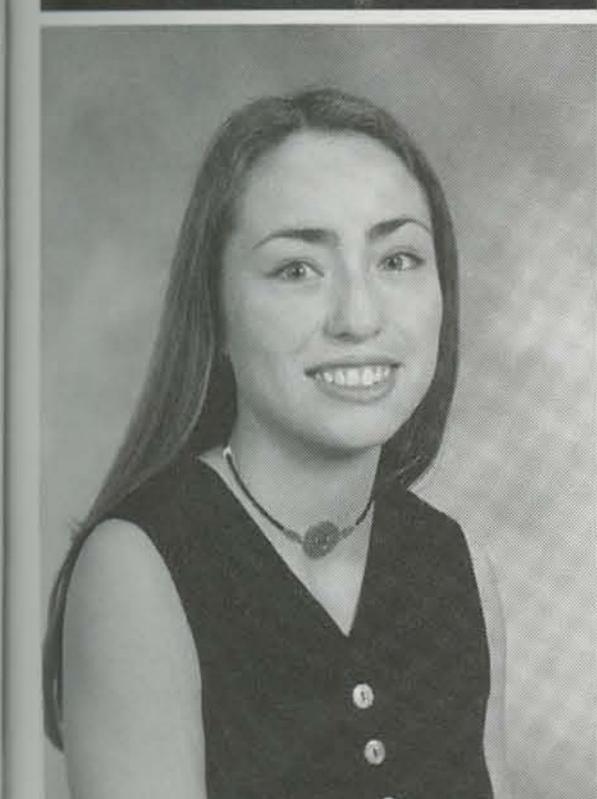
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Sara Donovan

Laura Dwyer

Julia Fiergolla

German Exchange Student (4)



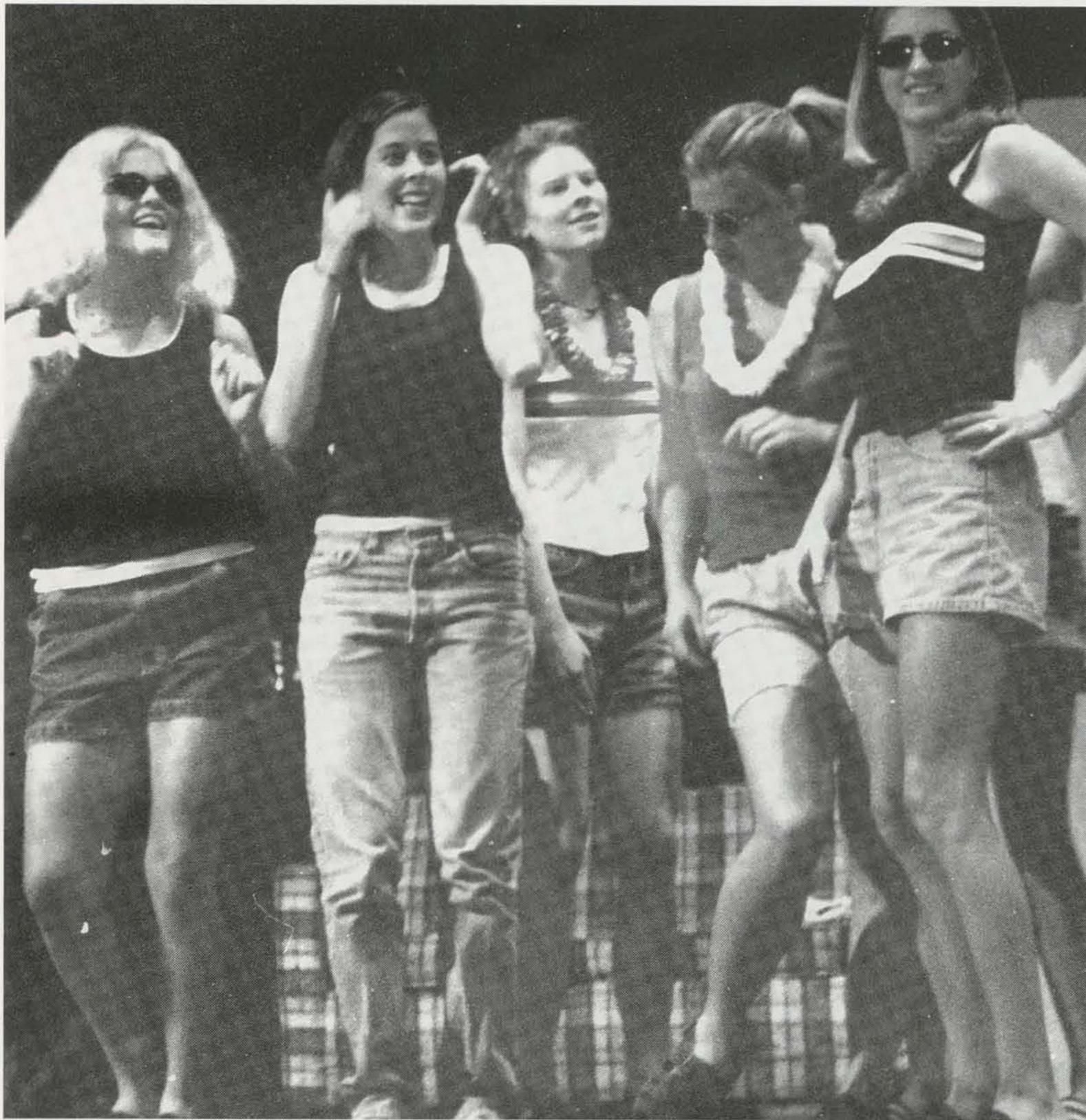
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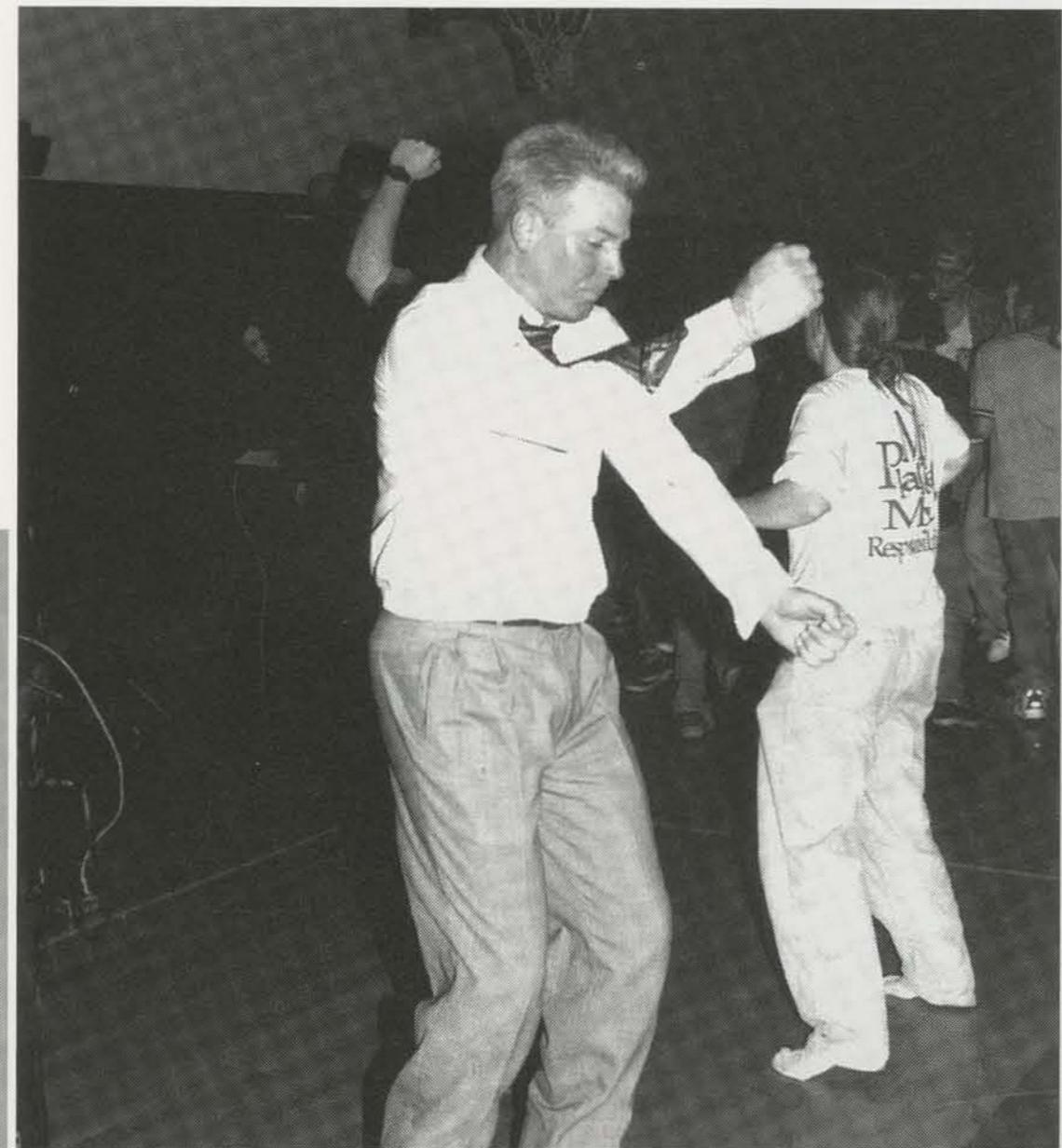
Erica N. Hunter
Christopher L. Murphey
Sohal Patel
Reginald Warner II

Jessica Hanlon

Below: Seniors Lindsay O'Neil, Lauren Reno, Stephanie Kiesewetter, Molly McCambridge, Rachel Jannusch, and Adrienne Fuller as the junior girls at the Winter Dance.



Seniors Lauren Reno, Beth Skolmoski, Adrienne Fuller, Rachel Jannusch, Lindsay O'Neil and Molly Mc Cambridge look through copies of J. Crew during the *Junior Girls* skit.



Left: FIRST Biology teacher, Rodger Baldwin sure appears to be enjoying himself at the Class Night dance. It was common to see him dancing among a circle of students, enjoying himself just as much as the student body itself.

Right: Juniors Katie O'Neal and Bond Lammey attempt to yell over the music, while sophomore Aaron Fowles attempts to get in on some of the action. In the background students celebrate the forth coming end of the school year.



Remaining *Traditional*

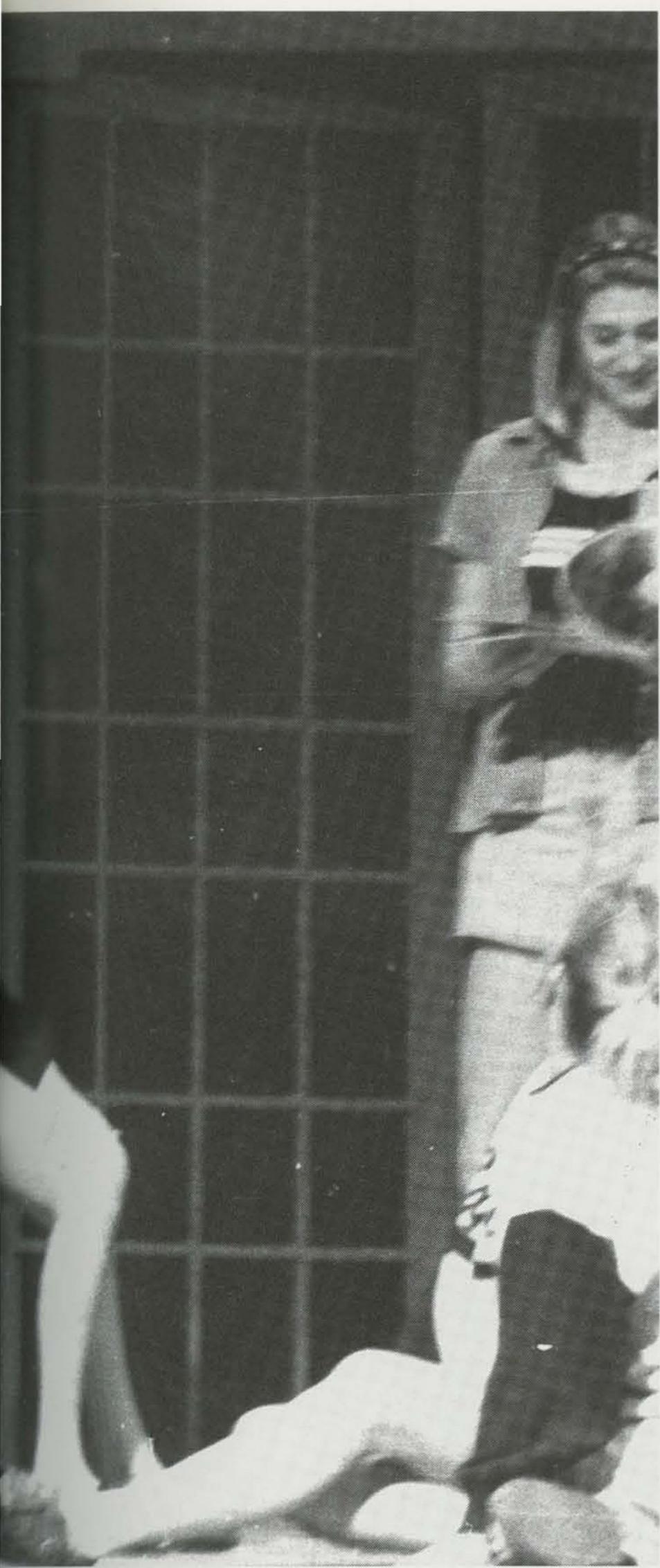
The class of 1997 successfully passed on the tradition of Class Night to another group of U-High students. Class Night, an evening of lighthearted skits and music followed by a formal ceremony, the moving of classes, has been a tradition at University High since the 1920's.

Student body president, John Kim kicked off the show by entering Stroud, throwing candy to the audience members and walking across the stage, where he was shot in a mock assassination. The theme for the night was a take off on the long running Saturday Night Live, and was hosted by seniors, Rob Mentzer, Jason Van Cauwenberge, and Judy Yin, who became suspects for Kim's shooting.

Other seniors volunteered to participate in skits focusing on the junior girls and theirs Jeep Jamboree, and the lounge. The lounge skit featured the seniors memories of the going-on's at U-High, including the school store, the stolen slinky and Donna. Still more seniors offered to participate in the Weekend Update segment of the show, hosted by seniors Dave Griffith and Mark Harris, others read senior wills and Deep Thoughts. This year two bands played class night. The show ended with the seniors meeting together on stage to sing the class song and say a few tearful good-byes in between big group hugs.

After the show was over senior class president, Emily Yee, took over in order to pass the lamp of knowledge to next years president, Jeff Yeagle. After the lamp was safely burning in a new set of hands, Yee escorted her classmates out of Stroud for the last time, as the class of 1997. The ceremony proceeded as normal, with many seniors gathering on stage to watch the procession of incoming Freshmen.

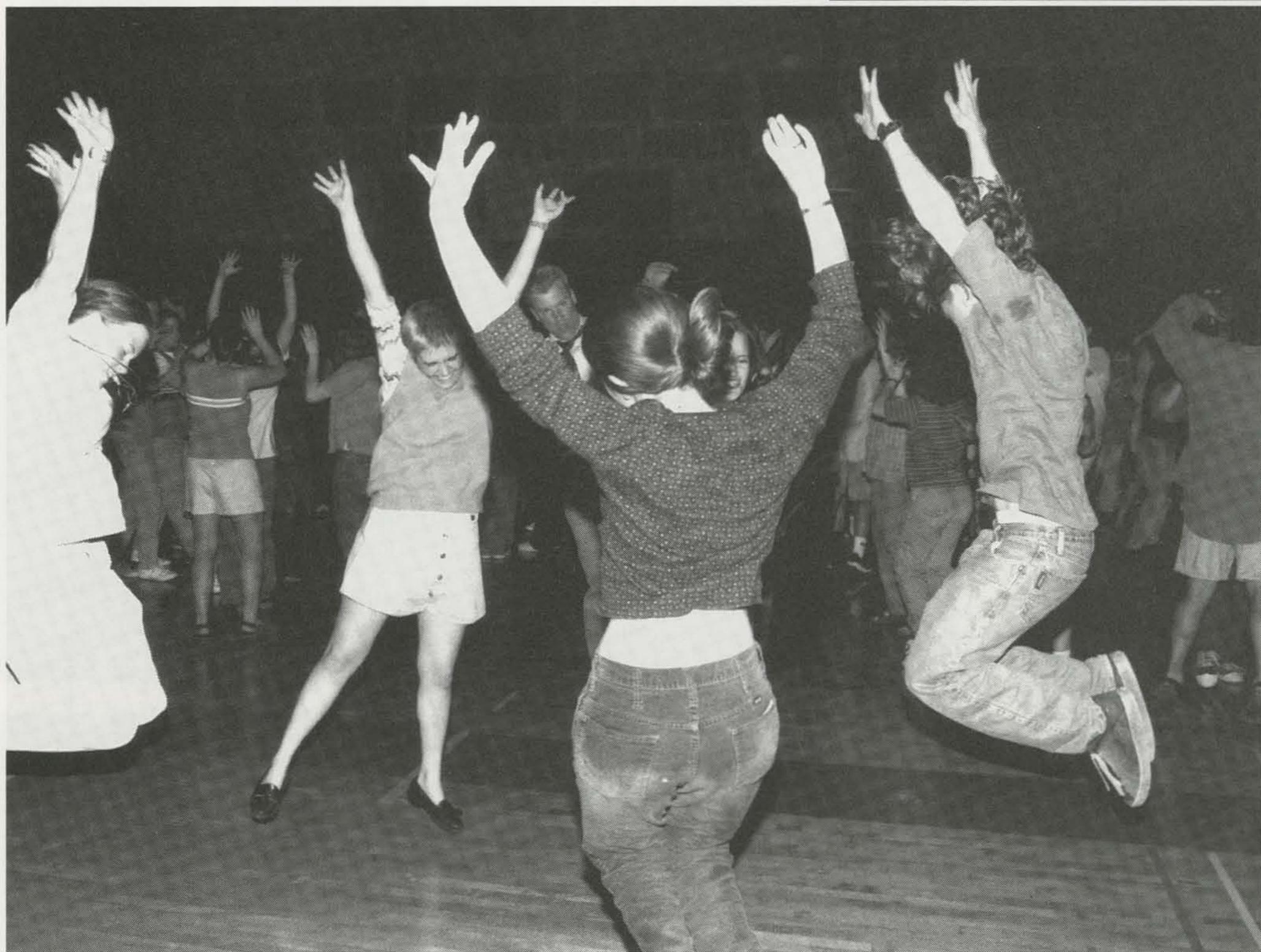
After the ceremony was completed, the freshmen class of 2000 hosted a dance in which all U-High students, past, present and future could meet in the large gym and celebrate their common thread, a history in which U-High will always have a part.



Left: Senior Lindsay Hunt provides the U-High student body with a *Where in the World is Dr. Coolican*, update during the Weekend Update skit.

Class Night

Left: The Class Night Dance is traditionally a time when students let out all their aggressions and just have a good time. It comes with perfect timing, being the last time seniors have to be at school and positioned right before finals. Here, senior Vicky Roberts, junior Bond Lammey, sophomore Nate Gibson and freshmen Sarah Weiss display how class night appeals to all U-High students, from the young to the more experienced.

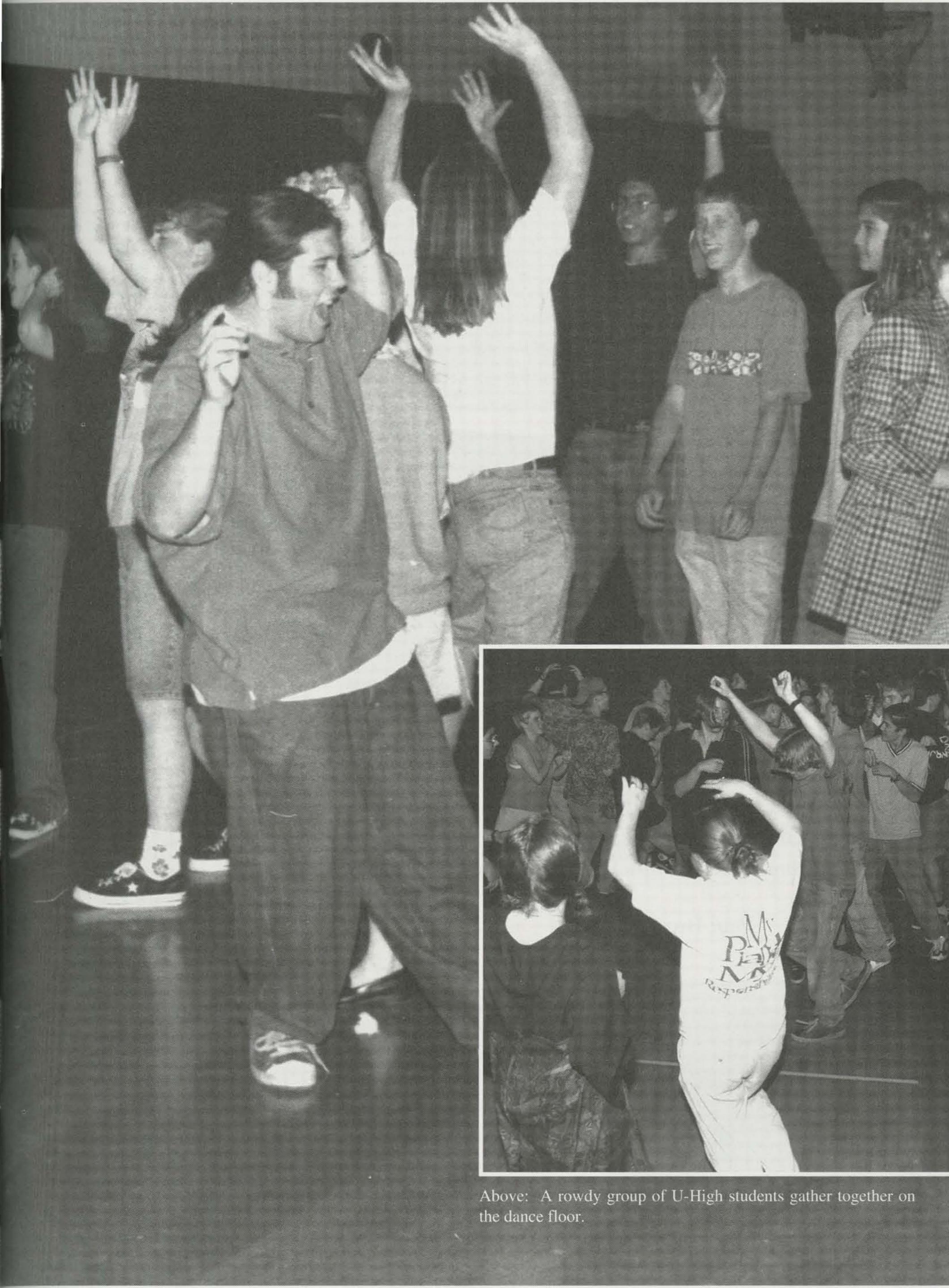


Reflecting the Future

"I hope the future classes will learn to uphold the traditional aspect of class night and get away from making a mockery of the ceremony the way some classes have in the past."

-Dana Grezeskowiak
junior

Below: Senior Andy Steadmen exits the circle of dancers to find enjoyment in dancing alone. Steadmen represents the true spirit here at U-High, go with your feelings and never follow the crowd.



Above: A rowdy group of U-High students gather together on the dance floor.

Right: Before the meal actually started seniors walked around hugging and snapping pictures of their friends. Here, seniors Emma Christensen, Vicky Roberts and Stephanie Kiesewetter wait for the festivities of the brunch to begin.

Center: Senior Paul Brooks, recipient of the best hair award, takes a few moments to take in the atmosphere of senior brunch. The day included so many amazing and memorable events it is almost guaranteed that the entire senior class walked away carrying something with them, even if they didn't win an award.



Senior Awards

Best Couple

David Griffith

Debbie Goldfarb

Worst Break Up

John Kim

Katie Foster

Most Over Dramatic

Gary Thompson

Victoria Roberts

Best Hair

Paul Brooks

Katie Foster

Friday Night Studier

Mike Lockhart

Brie Gleason

Future Truck Driver

Adam Steuk

Darleen Carmenzeno

Best Legs

Chad Shultz

Megan Yontz

Most Artistic

David Griffith

Stacia Thetard

Rehashing

the Moment

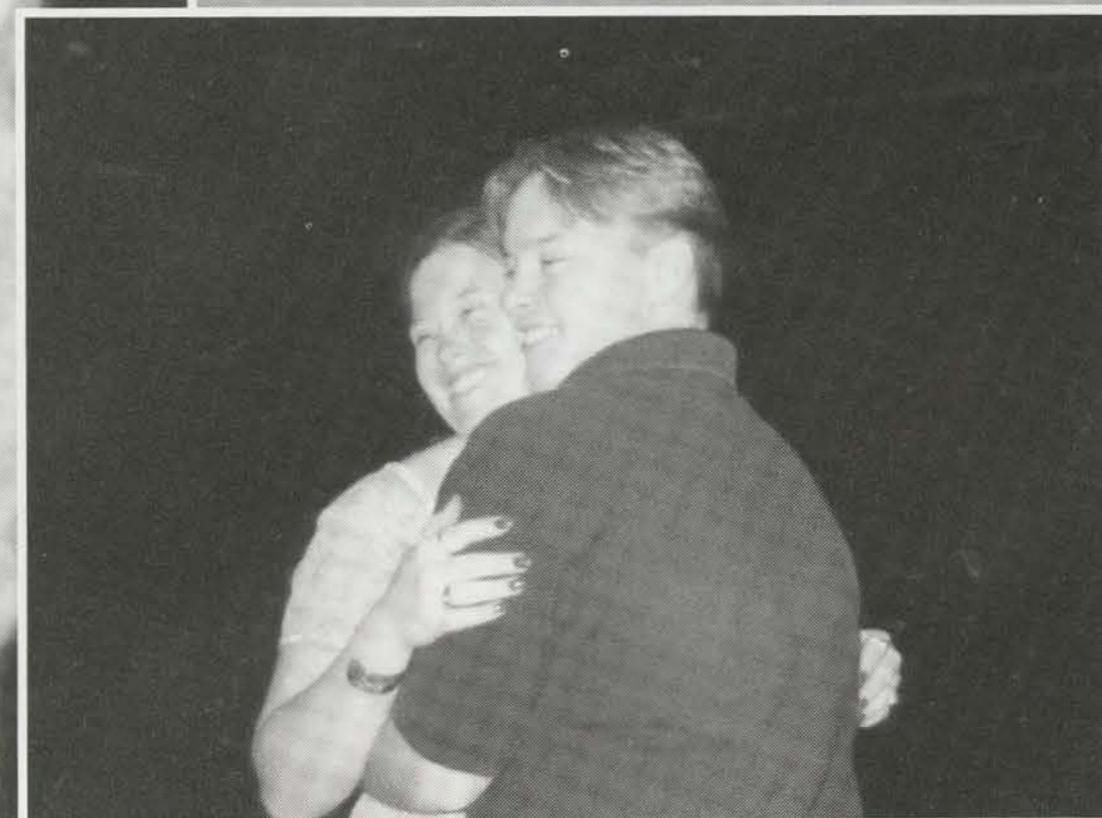
Each Spring the senior class holds one of those annoying class meetings that we have come to know and love here at U-High, to vote on where the Senior Brunch should be held. This year the class had the option of holding it at Bloomington Country Club or Jumers, which would have included some money to come out of the senior pockets, or the brunch could have been held at the less glamourous location of the ISU Ballroom, located in Bone Student Center, free of cost to the seniors.

It is not surprising that some students were willing to pay money in order to have a nicer brunch, but the majority of the class felt it made no difference where the brunch was held, so it made more sense to hold it in the Ballroom.

The seniors met at Bone after the awards ceremony, some still buzzing with excitement from their awards, others ready to just get out of school and graduate already. The room was decorated nicely with streamers and balloons, a perfect back drop for the rolls and rolls of film being snapped away with the hundreds of pictures that must have been taken by a few anxious seniors.

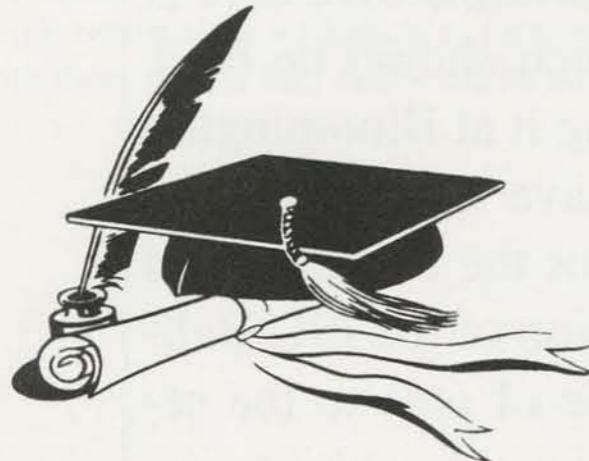
The Brunch officially began with the seniors being welcomed into the alumni association, followed by a controversial prayer led by John Kim and then the food was served. A beautiful buffet, filled with quiche, bacon, sausage, eggs, fruit, salad, orange juice and muffins was set before the class who quickly ransacked the spread and ate until they could eat no more.

As the seniors were beginning to get their fill the Senior Awards were given out and were told they had one week to clean out their lockers. Before leaving the seniors walked around one more time passing out hugs and handshakes.



Left: Seniors Vicky Roberts and Jason Van Cauwenberg have known each other since grade school. Senior Brunch provided many touching moments for students who received the opportunity to remember events from their earliest school days.

A Relization of Sorts



The most striking thing to me right now about high school is how little I remember of it. I remember certain things, an episode here and there, a detail about anything that happened. I can't remember specific days, or even details from each day of the past four years -- just episodes, here and there, and details and experiences and moments. The past is funny that way; I think it slips away more rapidly than we might like to pretend.

I remember scenes. Classrooms, hallways, cars full of kids doing nothing but cruising, driving desperately for no place in particular. I remember watching friends clap one another on the back and walk, for a while, linked together that way. I remember kids getting bullied in the hallways pushed around like pinballs for not blending in properly. I remember the low hum of the pipes, sounding like a far-off choir, every time I entered the doors at the pit. I remember feeling older with just about every new experience -- and I remember when every experience felt new. I remember the drudgery, resentment, frustration, beauty. It's true, there was plenty of beauty in it.

One scene that I remember particularly well happened on prom night, a night that is absurdly pre packaged for memory, but succeeds in being memorable in spite of that. The scene, as I have it, goes this way:

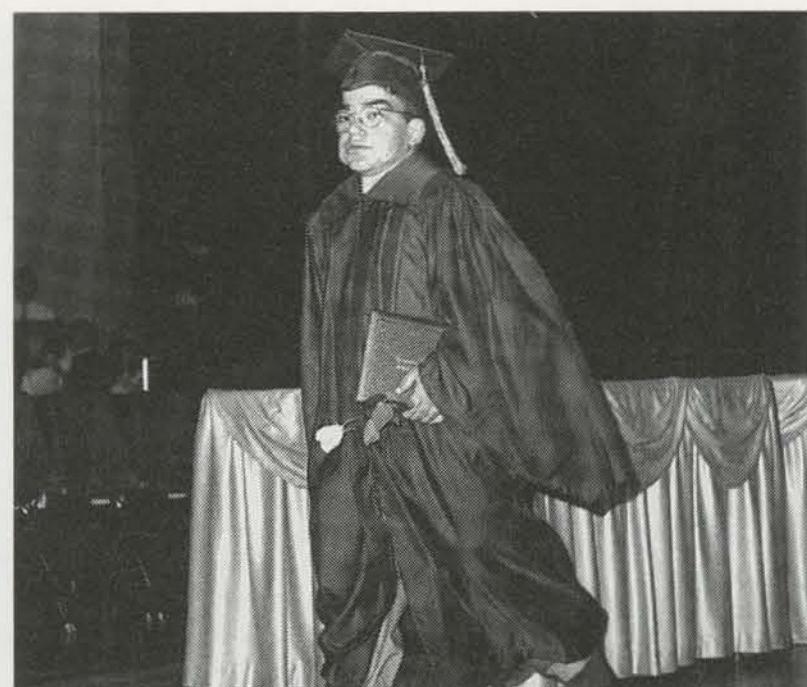
I remember looking around at everyone smiling and shining in shiny dresses and creased tuxedoes. I remember the way all the girls were sparkling and beautiful, strikingly so, and how all the guys were sort of formal and proud -- still retaining an easygoing happy spirit -- and everyone looked a few years older than at school, like a glimpse of the future.

I remember catching my classmate's eyes' and exchanging smiles and happy greetings that were truly meant; we were capturing a moment forever. As with graduation, the melancholy of ending something significant always mixes with the excitement of beginning something new, but there are moments that pierce through all expectations, cutting away all misunderstandings, leaving us standing together on a dance floor looking at one another directly in the eyes and seeing straight through the essence of the others, feeling connected -- just for a moment -- with every other person there in a way that we will not forget, ever..

That's what I remember about high school. That's about all.

Not only can we afford to romanticize the past, the capacity to do so in a necessary human trait -- a sort of defense mechanism. I don't know if humans could survive if we were truly capable of looking back at things the way there were, truly. These four years will be remembered, as they probably ought to be, as those occasional and inevitably fleeting moments that seem to stand out from the others: the time when we suffered the illusion that we all, as classmates, were in this thing together, sharing a common bond. Those moments were as real as any of the others, and they were beautiful, at least.

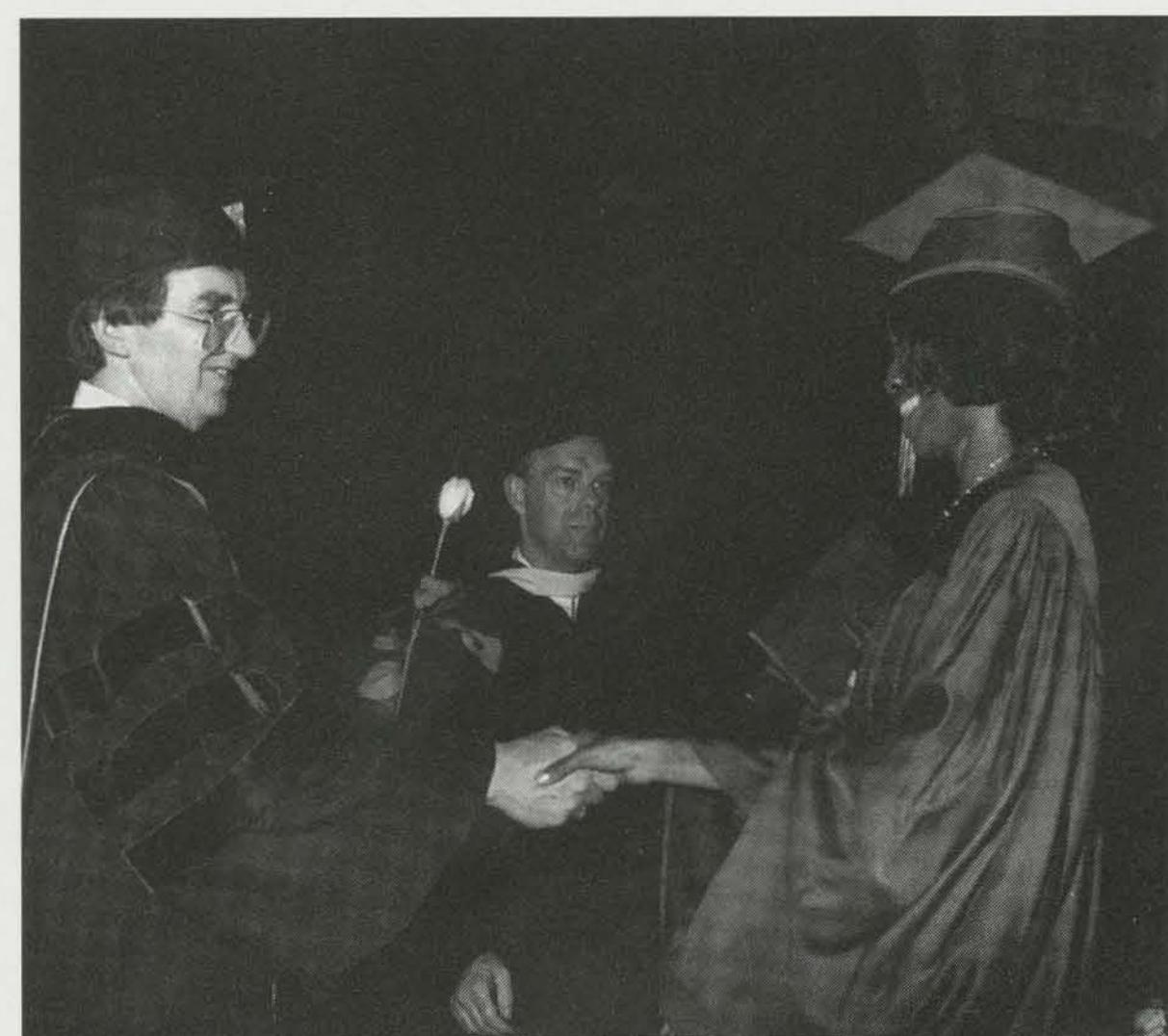
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Left: Stephen Waver carefully scans the crowd, trying to find a trace of his family, as he returns to his seat after receiving his diploma and rose.

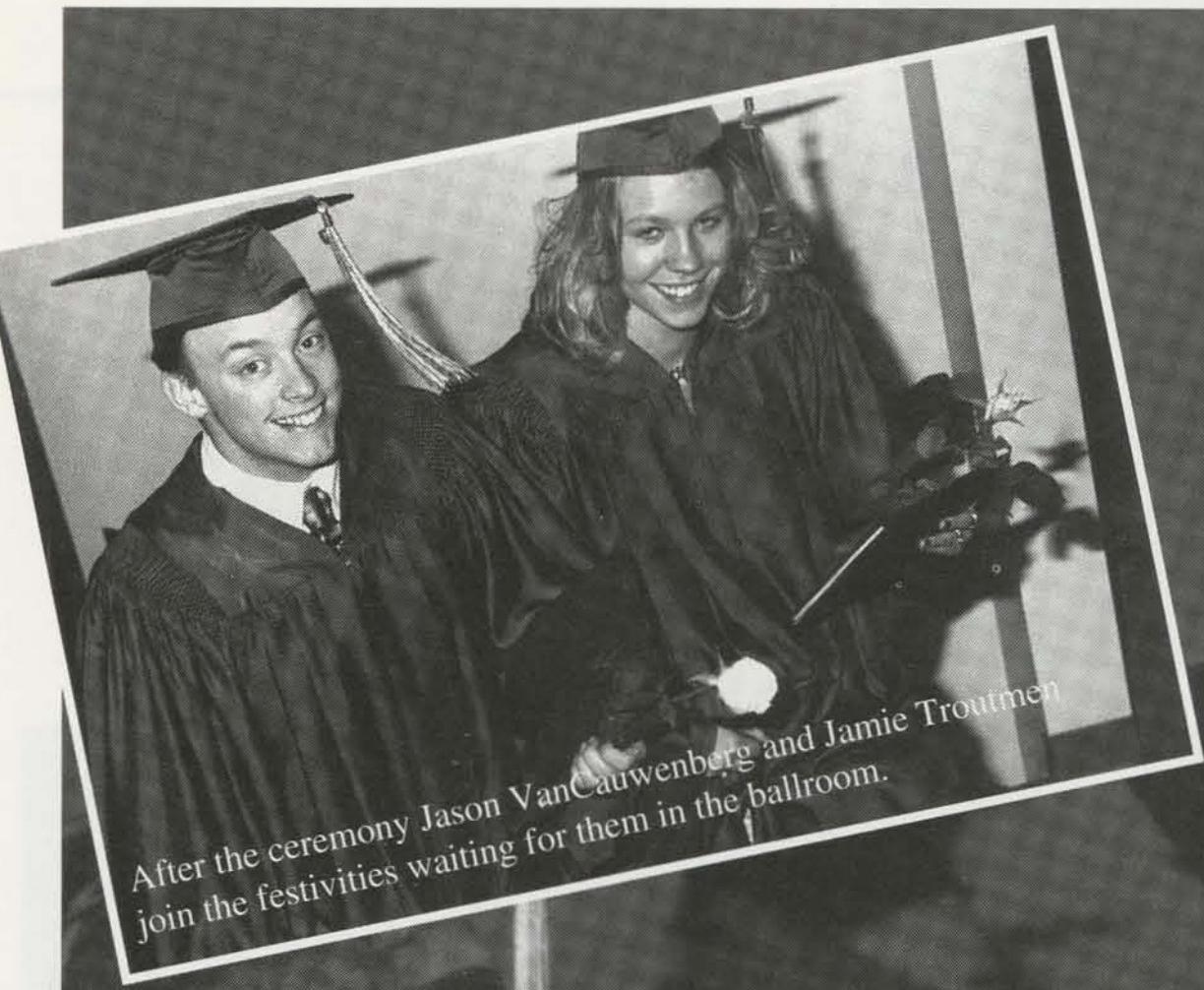


Below: The U-High band plays at graduation every year, here Amy Johnson directs the group in a quick warm-up before the ceremony began.

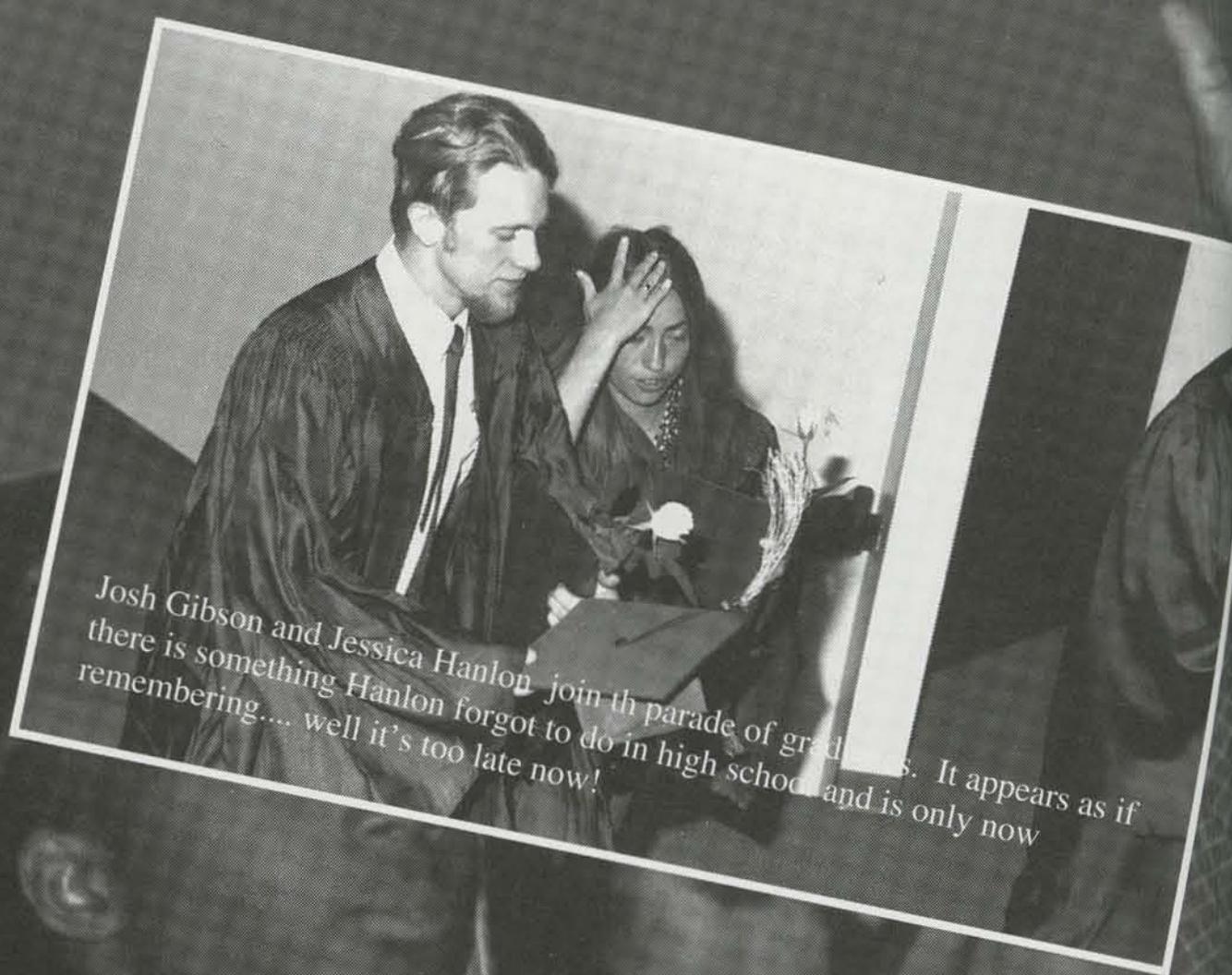


Left: A new tradition was made at the graduation for the class of 1997, each student received a single white rose after picking up their diploma. Here Danielle Lewis happily shakes hands with Robert Dean, the director of the lab school, in exchange for her rose.

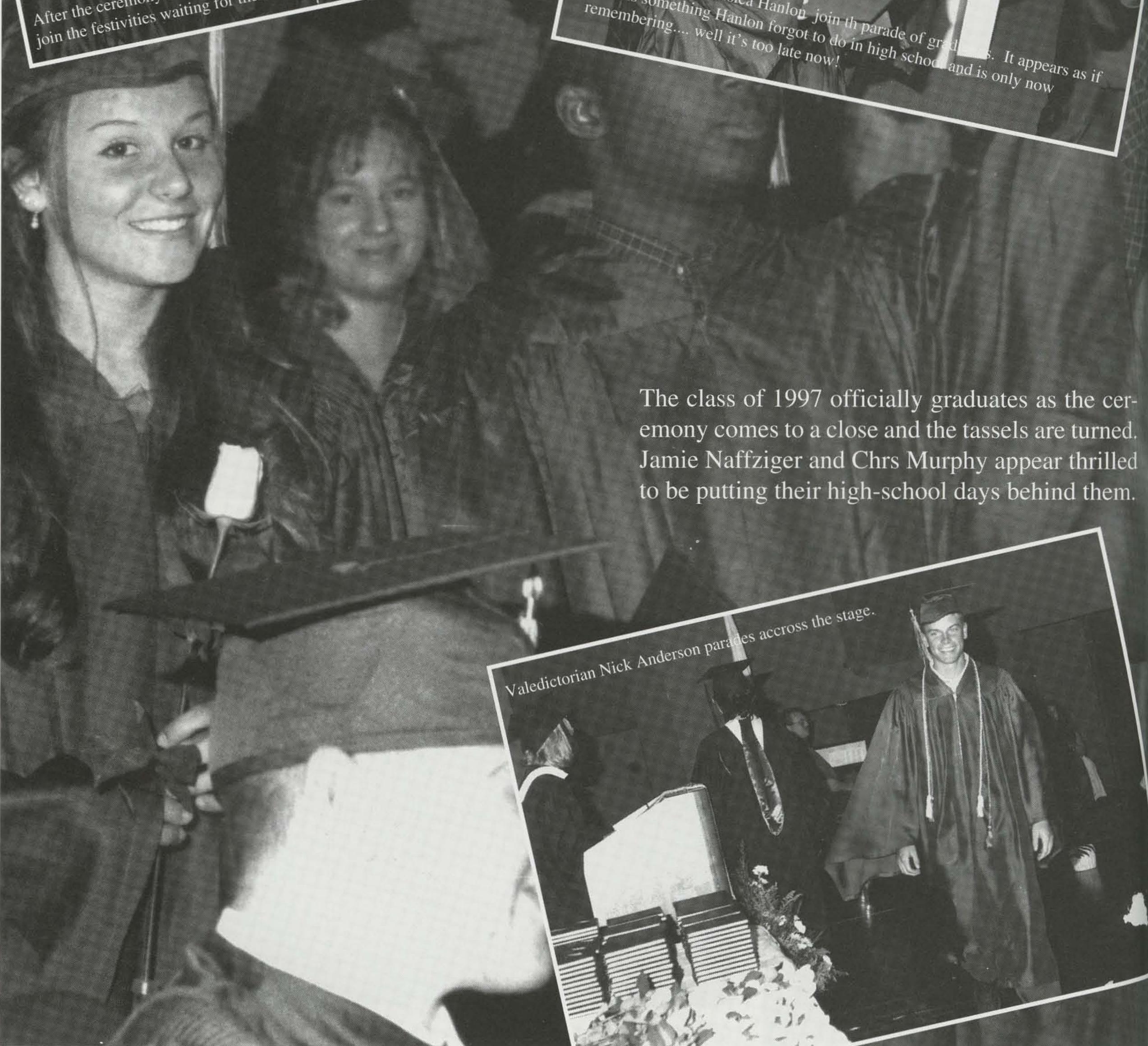
Left: Students filed out of Braden after graduation, to receive thousands of hugs, kisses and praises of, "Way to go!" and "We are so proud." Here the accomplished graduate, Ben Miller, struts his stuff, obviously celebrating his new freedom.



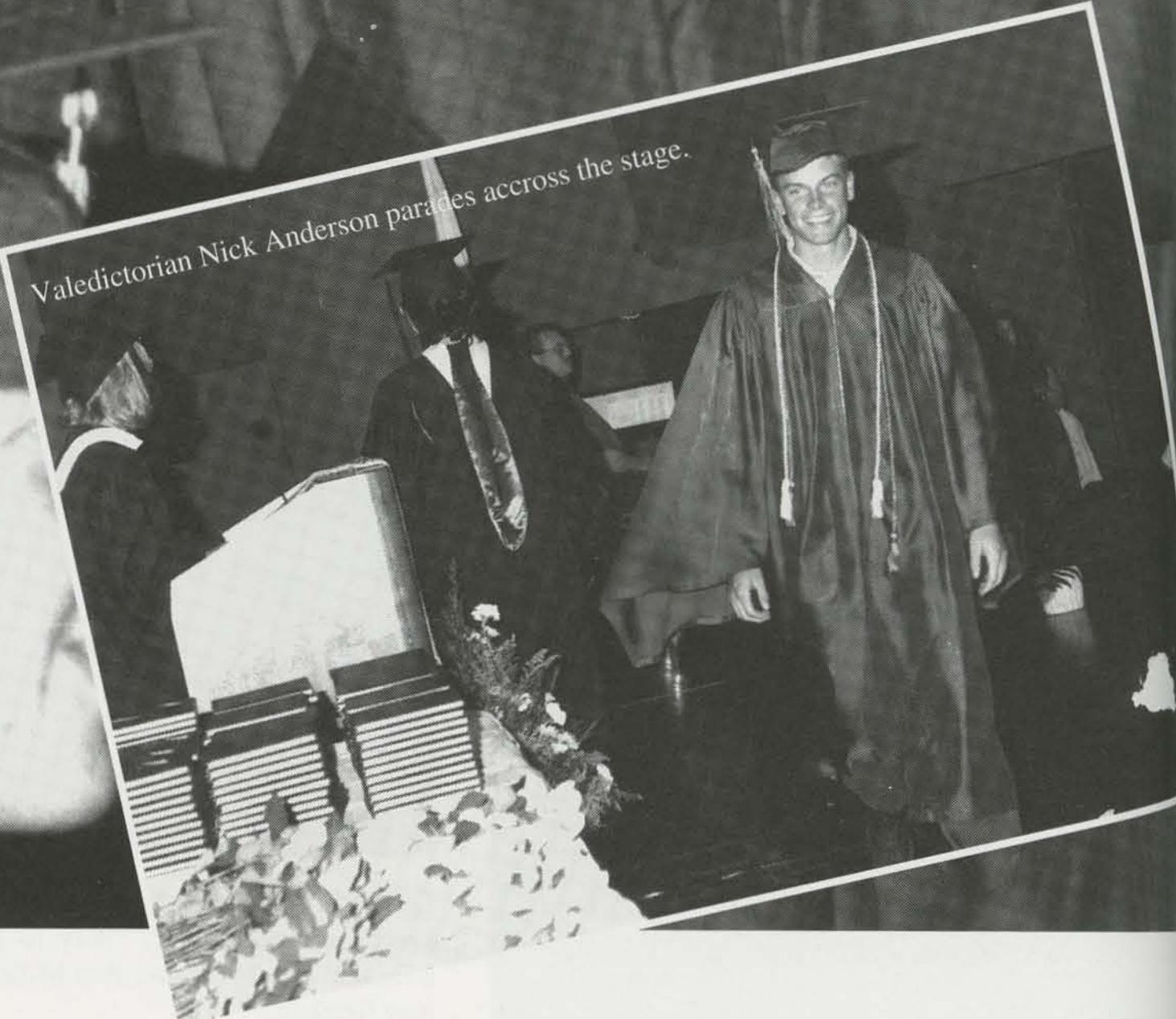
After the ceremony Jason VanCauwenberg and Jamie Troutmen join the festivities waiting for them in the ballroom.



Josh Gibson and Jessica Hanlon join the parade of graduates. It appears as if there is something Hanlon forgot to do in high school and is only now remembering.... well it's too late now!



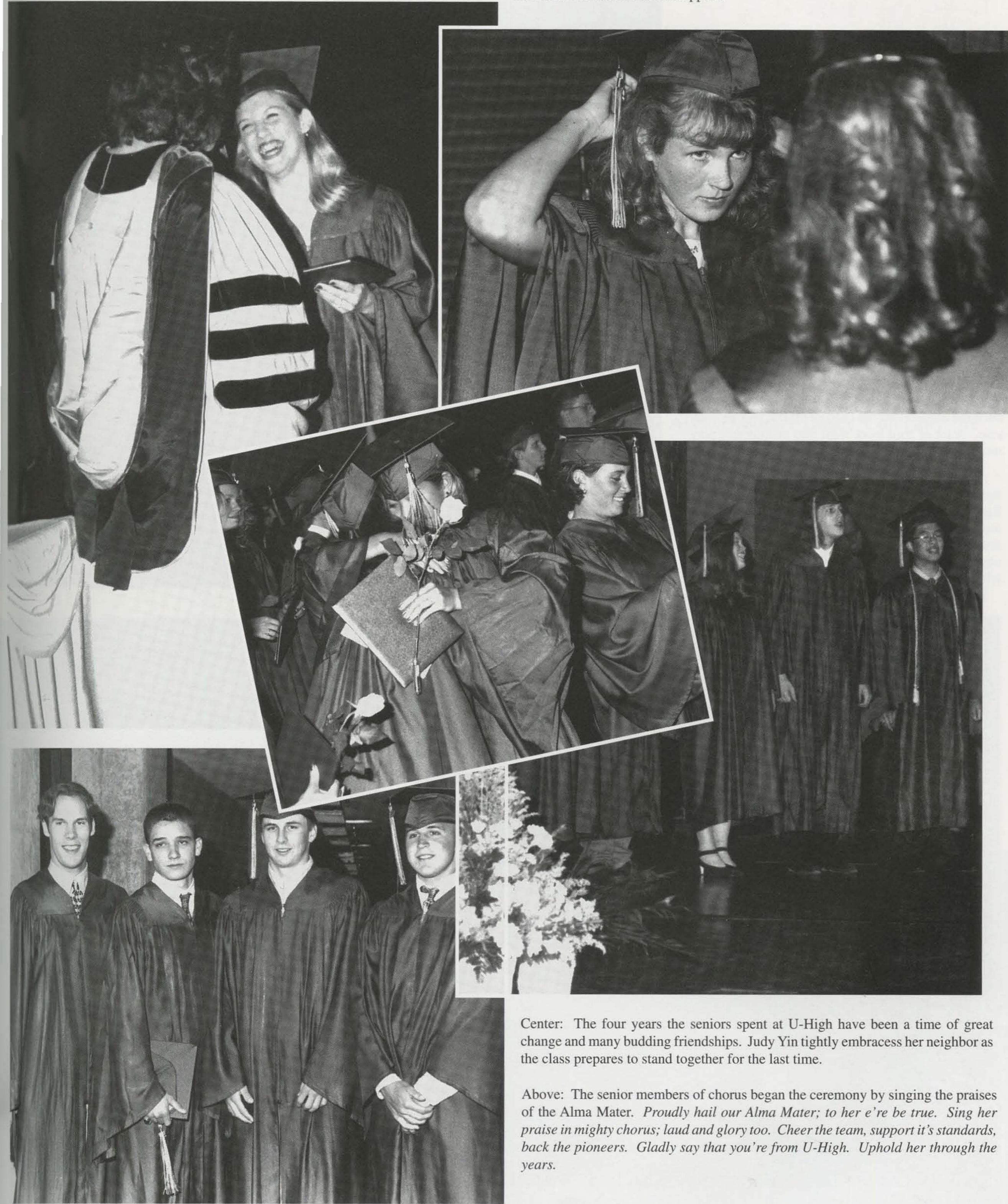
The class of 1997 officially graduates as the ceremony comes to a close and the tassels are turned. Jamie Naffziger and Chrs Murphy appear thrilled to be putting their high-school days behind them.



Valedictorian Nick Anderson parades accross the stage.

Below: Molly McCambridge seems thrilled to be receiving her diploma from Maria Coolican, principal. That smile may one day be famous, Molly plans to major in theatre at ISU.

Below: Nicole Swanson double checks that her cap is on straight and pinned tightly to her hair. Her friends offers support.



Center: The four years the seniors spent at U-High have been a time of great change and many budding friendships. Judy Yin tightly embracess her neighbor as the class prepares to stand together for the last time.

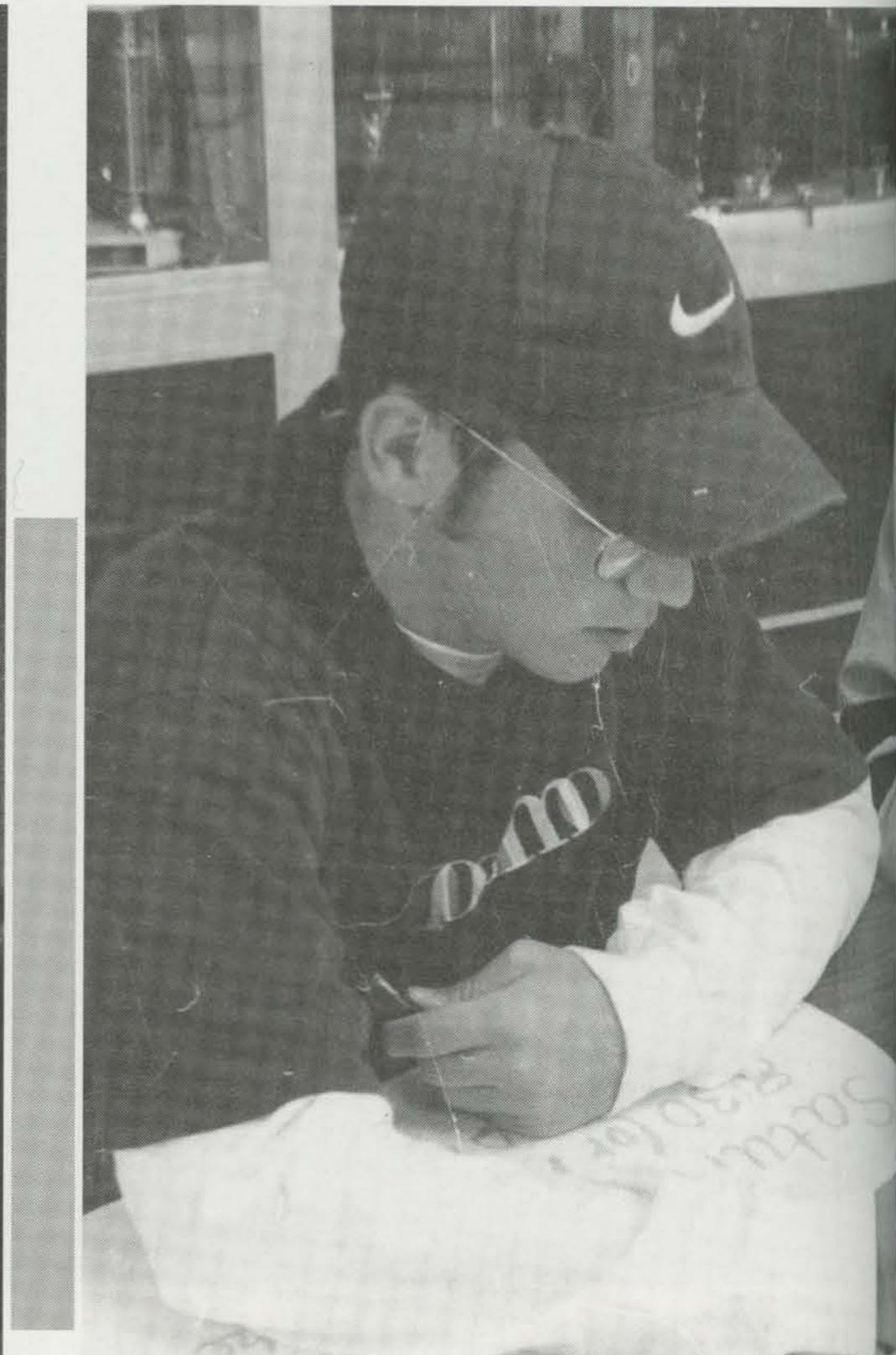
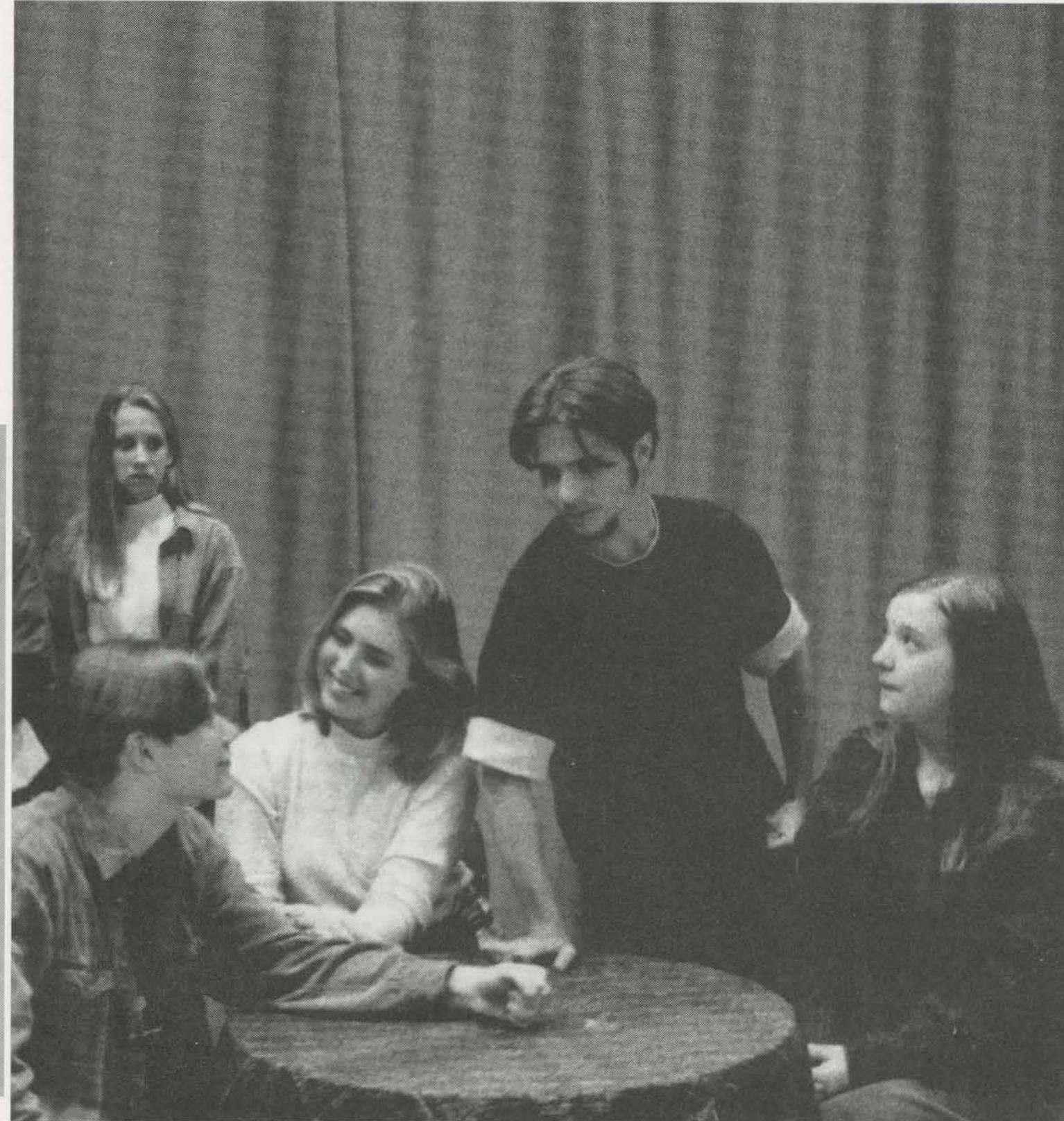
Above: The senior members of chorus began the ceremony by singing the praises of the Alma Mater. *Proudly hail our Alma Mater; to her e're be true. Sing her praise in mighty chorus; laud and glory too. Cheer the team, support it's standards, back the pioneers. Gladly say that you're from U-High. Uphold her through the years.*

Above: Mark Moon, Andy Cunningham, Ryan Ash and Tony Neibur display their gowns before heading upstairs to the ceremony.

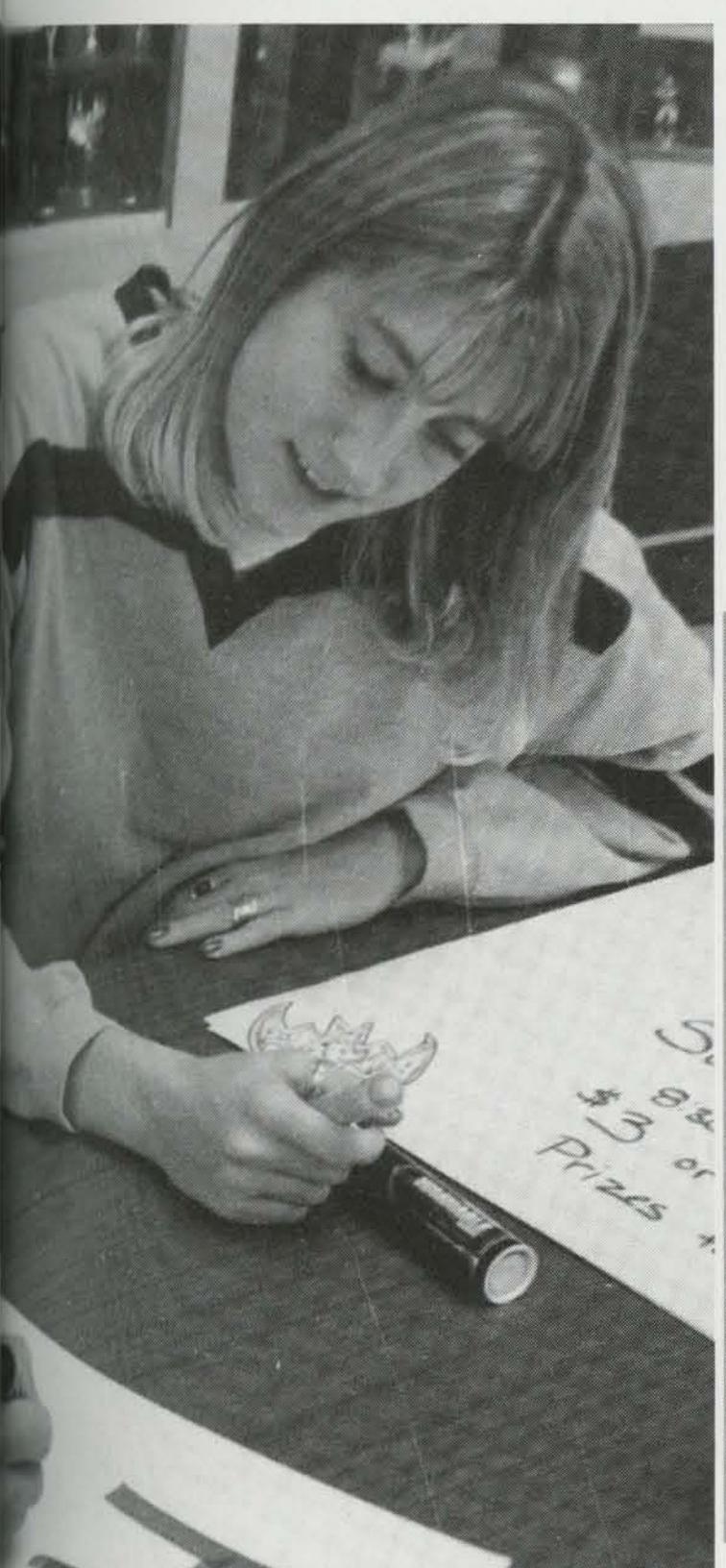
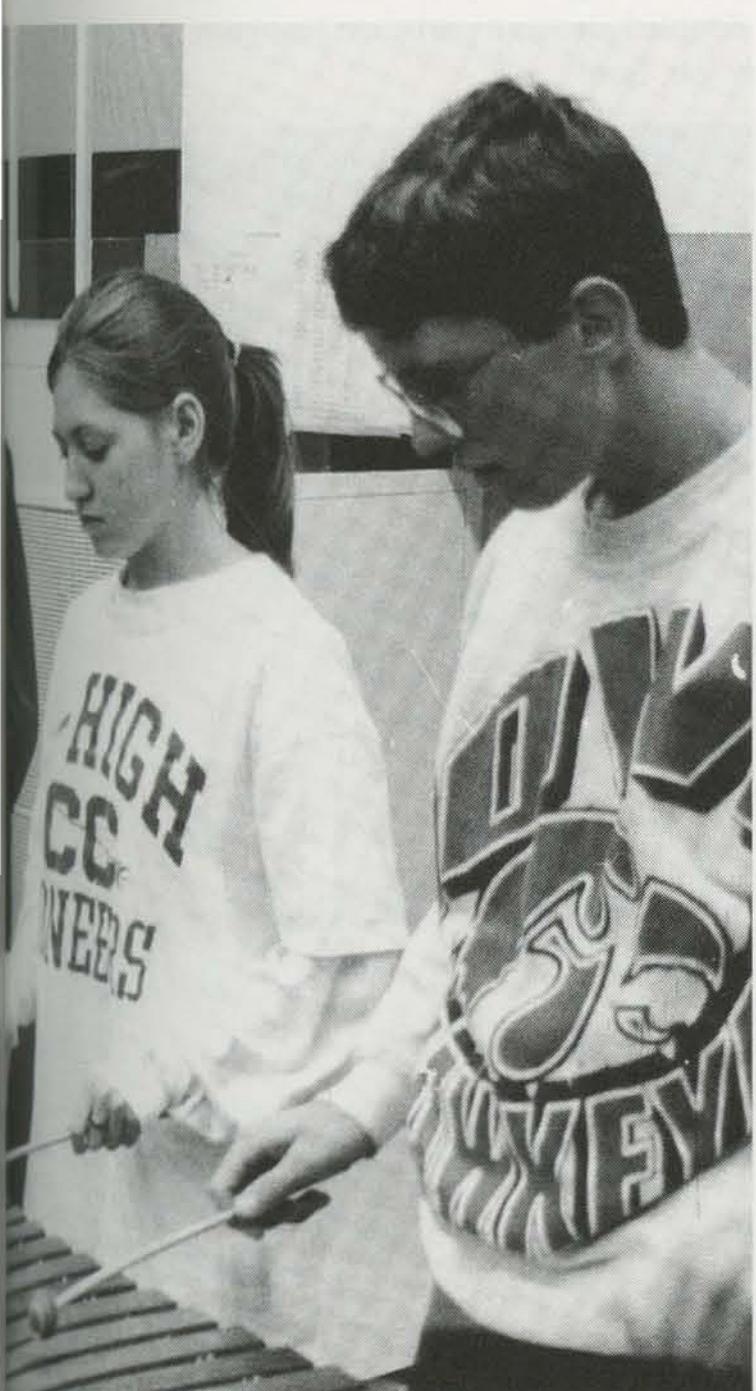
Right: Junior Susan Grotbo helps junior CAPTAINS member Melissa Mercier sell cookies for Red Ribbon Week. The week focused on informing students of the effects of drugs and alcohol. The cookie sales were one of the many events that took place during the week.

Below: The lead cast of U-High's fall play, Arsenic and Old Lace, rehearses a scene. This was the first of the three productions the U-High theatre puts on each year. A lot of hard work went into making this play successful.

Below right: Senior Senate members Dave Griffith and Rachel Jannusch prepare posters for the annual Halloween Dance. Dances and social activities are just a few of the Senate-sponsored activities. This organization also puts together community service projects and school elections.



Below: Freshman, Sara Tomason and Junior, Nate Turnis practice their scales in band. This year the band played at home football and basketball games. They helped boost school spirit among fans.



Ready for Reality

When U-High students are looking for extra curricular activities, they have many choices. With over 20 clubs available at U-High a student can't go wrong.

This year, U-High clubs were better than ever. The Key Club, a community service organization, sponsored another successful canned food drive for Make-A-Difference Day and collected 1,800 cans. U-High CAPTAINS and Senate worked together to give students their own Teen Institute Day where they attended lectures and demonstrations

about aliens, self defense, upcoming college years and many other interesting topics.

Also, Orchesis Dance Company presented two concerts this year, each containing dances choreographed by the students themselves.

All of the clubs offered at U-High are part of what makes our school so unique. According to junior, Kristy Corbitt, "With all the clubs available at U-High it is easy to find one best suited for you."

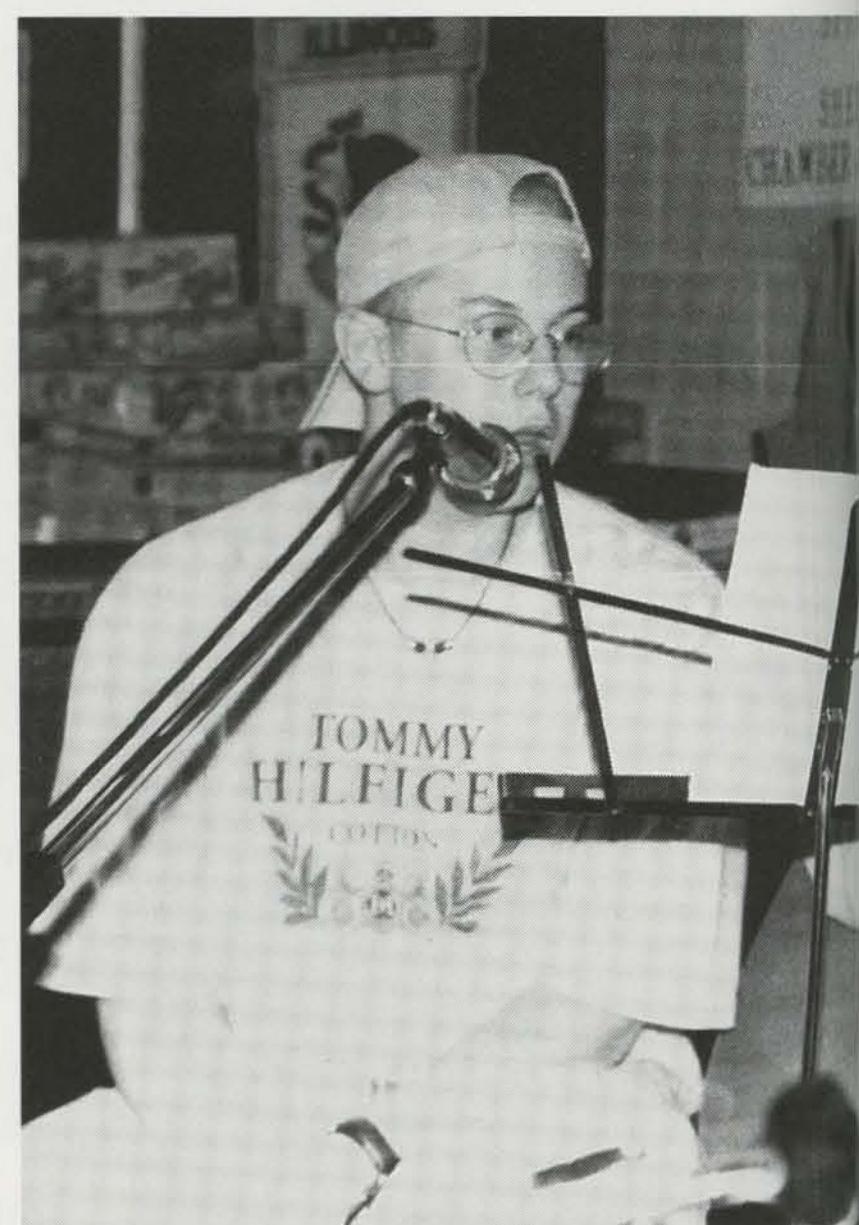
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JOURNALISM

Row One: Jim Kelly. Row Two: Erica Otto, Dana Grzeskowiak, Toni DeCristofaro, Michelle Natzke, Molly Archer, Betsy Eyenatten. Row Three: Nathan Turnis, Dave Griffith, Lacey Shirk, Sarah Johnson. Row Four: Jon Kim, Jamie Troutman, Bryson Engelen, Daniel Berhens, Ben Miller. Row Five: Paul Brooks, Chris Charlesworth. Not Pictured: Stephanie Kieswetter, Erin O'Connor, Stacia Thetard, Gary Thompson, Jason VanCauwenberge, Jenny Wojcik.



Below: Our always crazy business manager, Senior Ben Miller, doubled also as a part-time lounge singer. Stick to your day job, Ben!



Above: Did the journalism class decide to sunbathe naked? No, they just were taking the April fool's "nudespaper" photo.



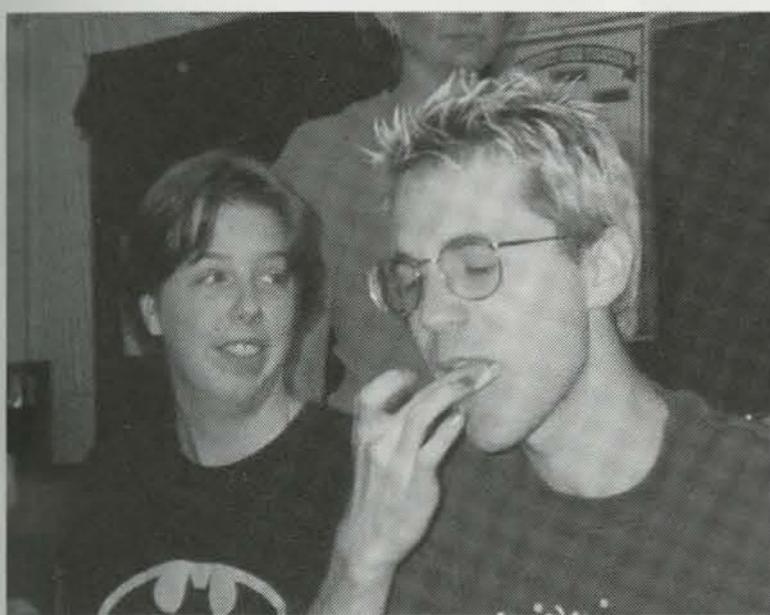
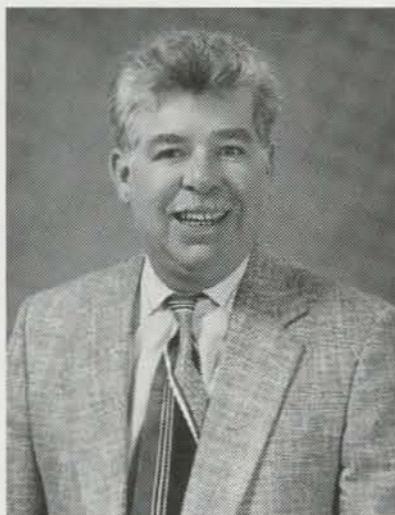
Above: Junior Lacey Shirk glares at fellow members of Clarionette while editing stories turned in for her Lifestyle's section. Shirk graced the lab with her presence daily as the Lifestyles section editor after Senior Berhens left the position in December upon graduating early..

Rewording the Phrase

Journalism at its finest

By Dana Grzeskowiak

Jim Kelly - Advisor



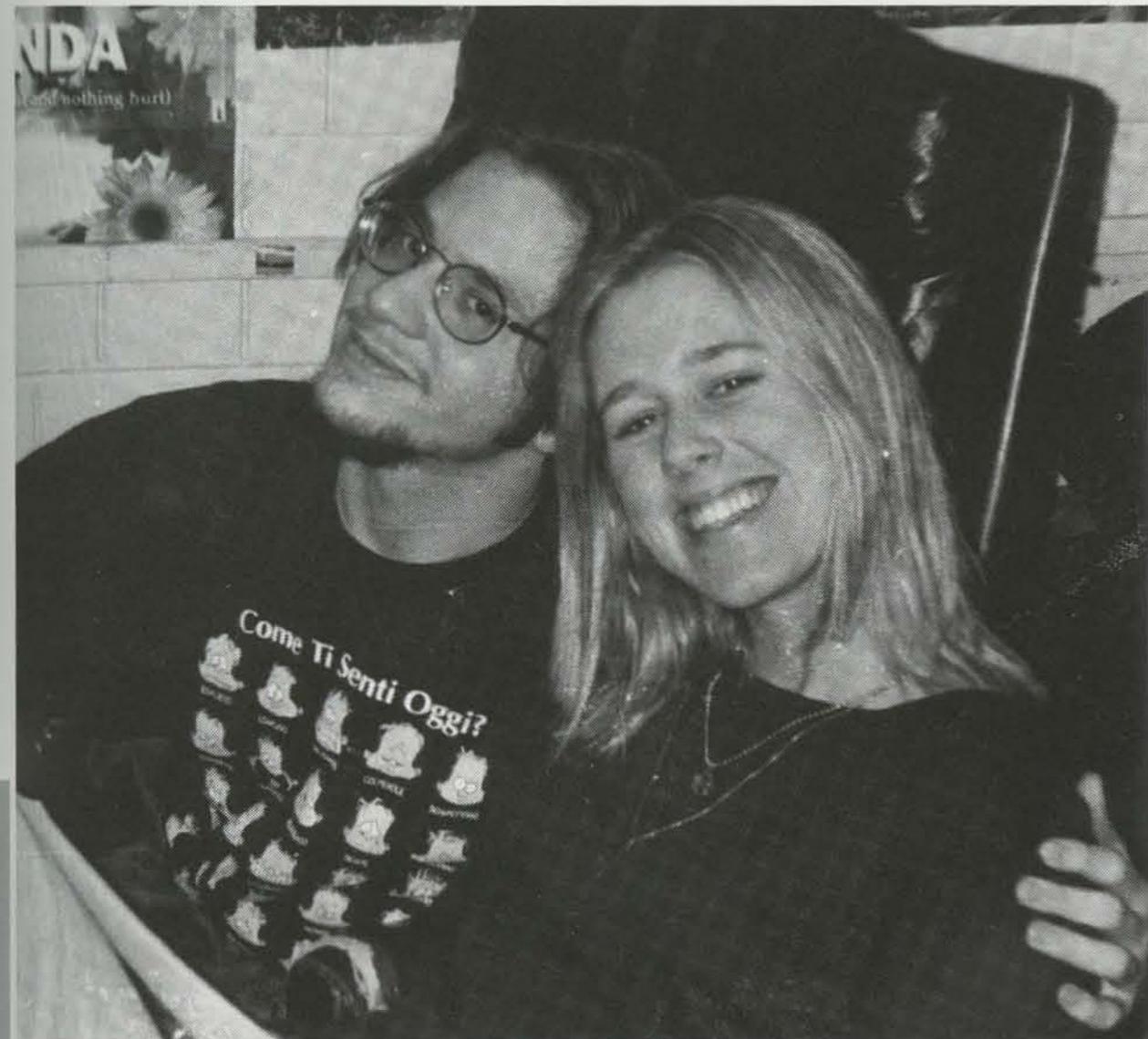
This year's Journalism class was once again a successful combination of Yearbook and Newspaper staff. All students, with the exception of the senior editors Chris Charlesworth and Stephanie Kiesewetter due to the time constraints, were required to work on both publications. The Clarionette was delivered in a timely fashion for the most part. The staff worked both weekends and throughout the

summer to produce a quality yearbook under the direction of editor

Stephanie Kiesewetter and sponsor, Mr. "nobody leave" Jim Kelly. The yearbook staff only had two returning members, editor Kiesewetter and assistant

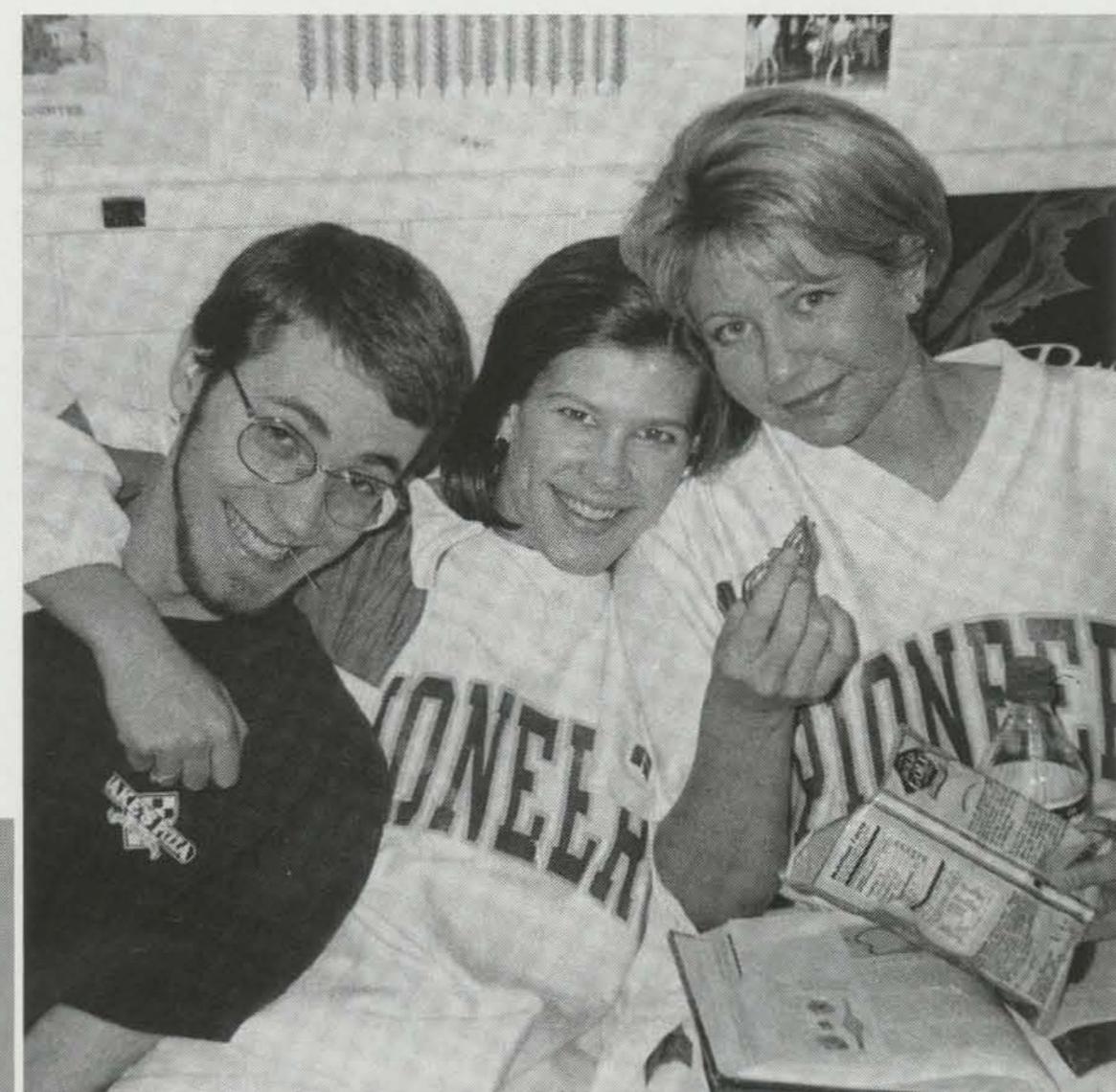
editor Dana Grzeskowiak. Both used their teaching skills from last year to form a book none could forget.

Left: Every year Mr. Kelly throws a huge pizza party for journalism students, in combination with journalism awards presentation. Junior Sarah Johnson and sophomore Betsy Eynatten watch as senior Paul Brooks stuffs his face.



Above: Senior Gary Thompson and Junior Erin O'Connor work diligently on a story for the newspaper. Many students doubled up on articles to lessen the work and keep the creative juices flowing..

| CLARIONETTE |
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| Chris Charlesworth - Editor in Chief |
| Gary Thompson - Assistant Editor |
| John Kim - News Editor |
| Bryson Engelen - Feature Editor |
| Lacy Shirk and Dan Berhens - Life-styles Editors |
| Jamie Troutman - Sports Editor |
| CLARION |
| Stephanie Kiesewetter - Editor |
| Dana Grzeskowiak - Assistant Editor |



Above: Senior Paul Brooks and Juniors Lacey Shirk and Sarah Johnson, take a quick break in the "Mike Perillo Lounge". They talked about their crazy deadlines and had a bite to eat before going back to work.

DRAMA

Row One Sarah Roper, Julie Ballard, James Junis, Libby Bergstrom, Emma Christenson, Vicky Roberts, Jeane Hurtz, Sam Dawson, Sara Kelly, Kate Meghji. Row Two: Bryson Engelen, Katie Augspurger, Pegah Hemmasi, Raven Nunez, Bond Lammey, Katie Brokaw, Maggie Saluto, Libby Kalmbach. Row Three: Nathan Turnis, Matt Augspurger, Molly McCambridge, Aaron Loose, Jim Oltman, Dan Behrns, I. Reyes, Betsy Eyenatten, Becky Phillips, Jamie Thompson, Jenny Wojcik, Molly Archer, Sarah Lehr, Sarah Weiss, Monica Hesse, Josh Weckesser Row Four: Susan Thetard, Aaron Fowles, Tony Meizelis, Chris Charlesworth, Ben Miller, Tim Holbrook, Jason VanCauwenberge, Sara Chan, Andy Steadman, J. McCullough, Megan Thompson, Jill Wilson and Justin Stanley.

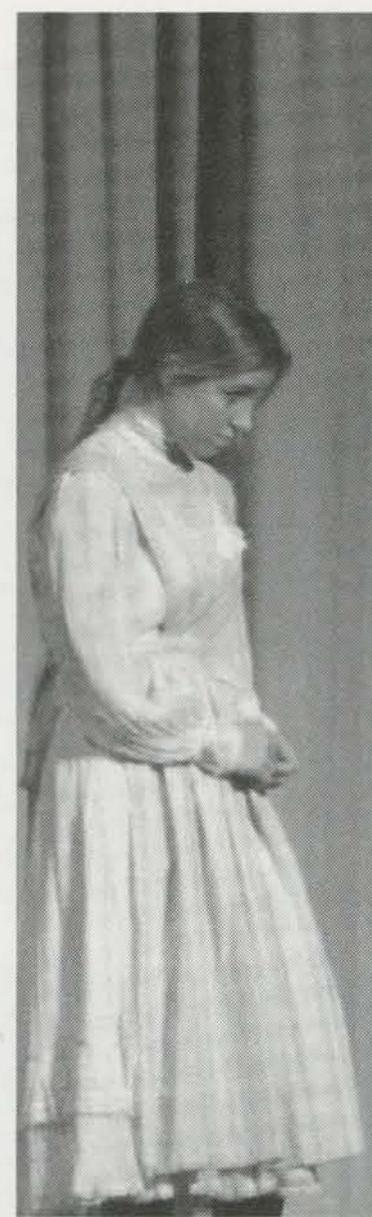
THESPIANS

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Above: The cast for the *Fantasticks* included, from left to right, Senior Gary Thompson, Sophomore Mike Ducett, Senior Jason Van Cauwenberge, Sophomore Tim Holbrook, Monica Hesse and Jake Olbert, and Junior Jim Oltman. The musical was the last show performed this year by the Thespians and it ended the season with a bang!

Below: Senior Molly McCambridge
Junior Toni DeCristofaro perform a scene from *The Good Doctor* at the One Acts



Above: Sophomores Molly Archer, Monica Hesse, and Jeane Hurtz look fearful in the play *Arsenic and Old Lace*.

Right: Sophomores Bryson Engelen, Michael Bell, and Junior Matt Augsburger put on a stunning performance in the fall play *Arsenic and Old Lace*.

Regarding Broadway

Drama Takes Theater to New Levels

By Toni DeCristofaro

The theatre department succeeded by attempting many new things this year.

One of their goals was to involve Thespians in more than just plays. Under the guidance of Susan Thetard, they began performing an annual musical, replacing the former semiannual tradition, the group also took part in a fall play, and helped bring success to the One-Acts, contest play, and group interpretation.

Another goal was to increase attendance at the performances. "We did get more people to attend, but I think we could still do better in that area," said Thetard.

To make this year even more exceptional, Thespians were graced with several outstanding members. Sophomore Linda Fanis was nominated for a state office in the Illinois State Thespians. Senior Gary Thompson had a chorus role in the All-State play, and freshman Aaron Fleischer was nomi-

nated for a role.

With seven active seniors leaving, the program will be losing quite a bit of talent. "The seniors will be missed, but we have a lot of talent in the freshman and sophomore classes," said Thetard. "I'm looking forward to next year."

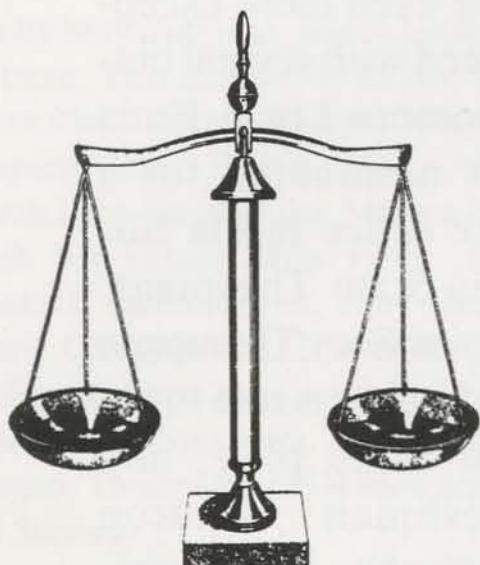


Above: Senior Jason VanCauwenberge, catches junior Jim Oltman from the platform during a scene from the musical, *The Fantastiks*.. Oltman is falling due to his flamboyent gestures while spouting Shakespearian quotes.

Regarding Technology

Science and technology investigates tomorrow

By: Molly Archer



Years ago, when Madeleine Hoss ran the U-High library club, it was just that. A library club. In recent years, with Kathy Oberhardt as the sponsor, the library/tech club has gotten away from just shelving books. They now focus on the technology aspect of the club.

This year they have mostly dabbled in the new medium of communications through the internet. "I would like to get back to doing things around the library, but the kids seem to enjoy working with the computers," said Kathy Oberhardt. "I would like to get back to

about the current activities of the library/tech club. The library club's past activities have included shelving and reshelfing books, checking out books for fellow students, organizing magazines, repairing damaged books and periodicals, and doing odd jobs around the library. "I miss all the extra help", said Oberhardt. Although the library/tech club never competes, they are a vital part of the extra-curricular activities at U-high. It takes students with an interest and helps them participate in activities with others who share that interest. The science club is a group of students who enjoy Chemistry, Physics, and Biology. The Science club didn't partake of many activities this year, but they had a good time working on the projects they completed. The science club is a group of

students who enjoy Chemistry, Physics, and Biology. The students who participate in the activites of the Science club can be found designing and making models that utilize the laws of physics.

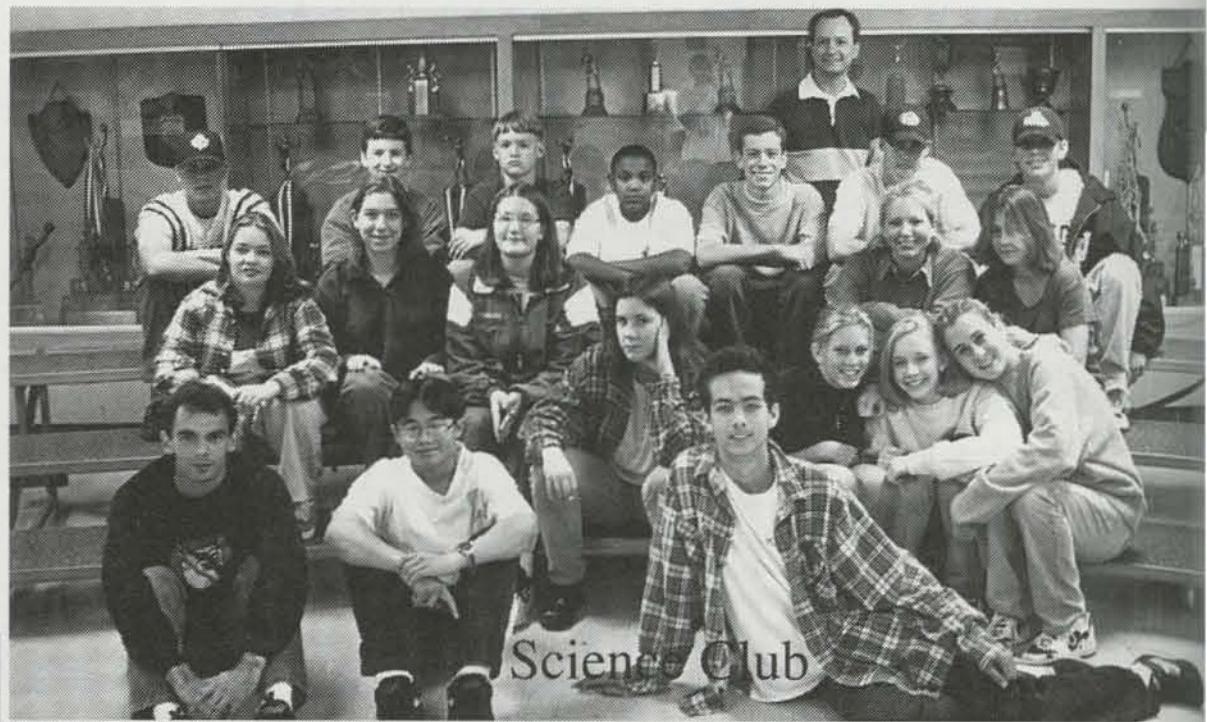
- Kathy Oberhardt

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the science competition that U-High attended, where W.Y.S.E. was extremely successful, taking first in the state as a group. Their very large trophy was displayed in the office for few weeks, and was then placed in the trophy case, to commemorate W.Y.S.E.'s triumph.



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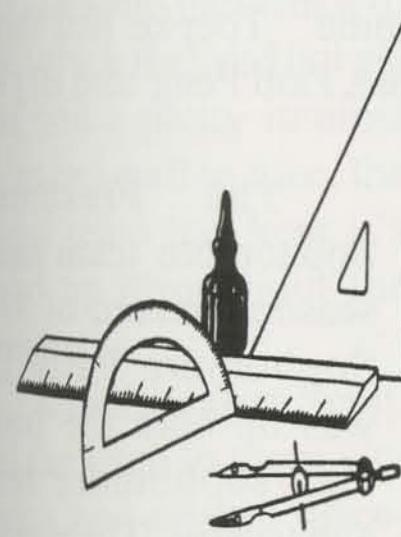


Row One: Mike Toepke, Paul Peng, Tony Meizeles. Row Two: Trudi Schoenin, Bridget Nord, Kristy Corbitt, Bridget Jones. Row Three: Amy VanCauwenberg, Elizabeth Fenger, Amy Varda, Sarah Johnson, Julie Bisbee. Row Four: Bryn Houghton, Aaron Fleisher, ?, ?, Brian Hajak, Don Petty, Aaron Bareither, Billy Elmo

Reforming the Equation

U-High students excel mathematically

By: Molly Archer



Mu Alpha Theta is a program that awards scholarships to students who ex-

cel in mathematics. point in all academic classes they are currently enrolled in. Students must also be enrolled in a U-High Math class and receiving a minimum of a 3.5 grade point in all mathematics courses taken at U-High.

Students are awarded scholarships by Mu Alpha Theta in recognition for their ambition and skill in the field of mathematics. Mu Alpha Theta provides committed students with the opportunity to receive a higher education even when funds are sparse.

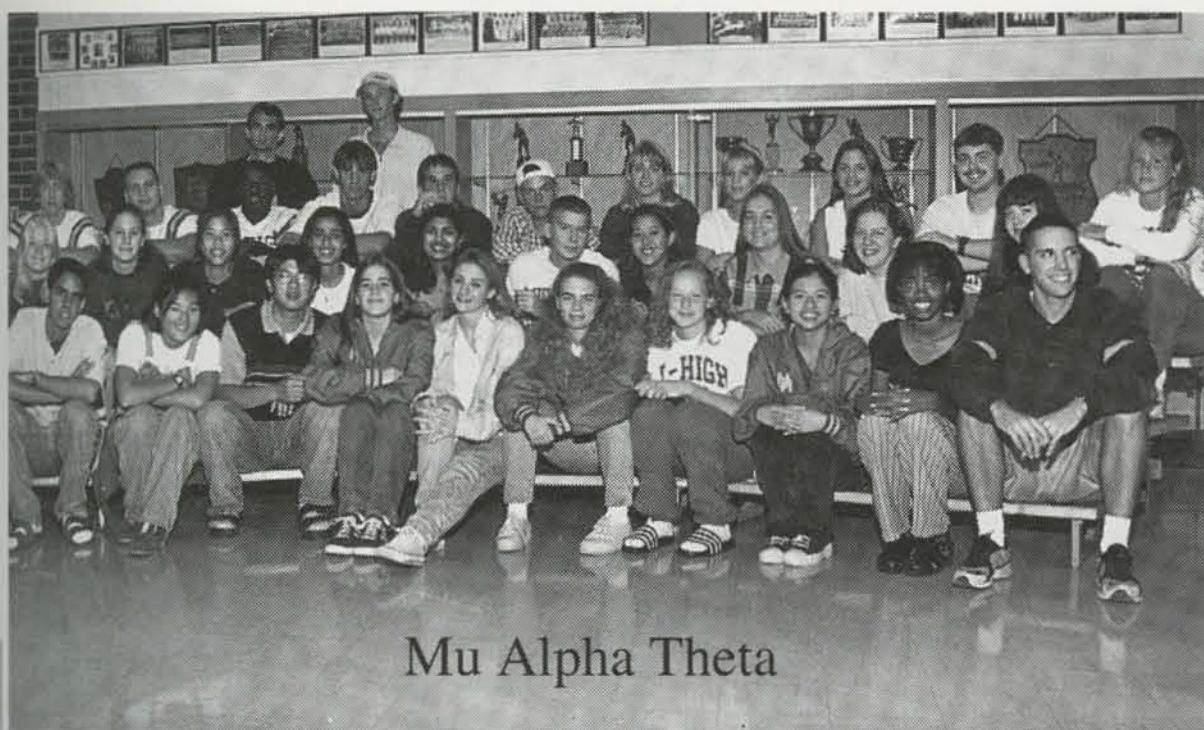
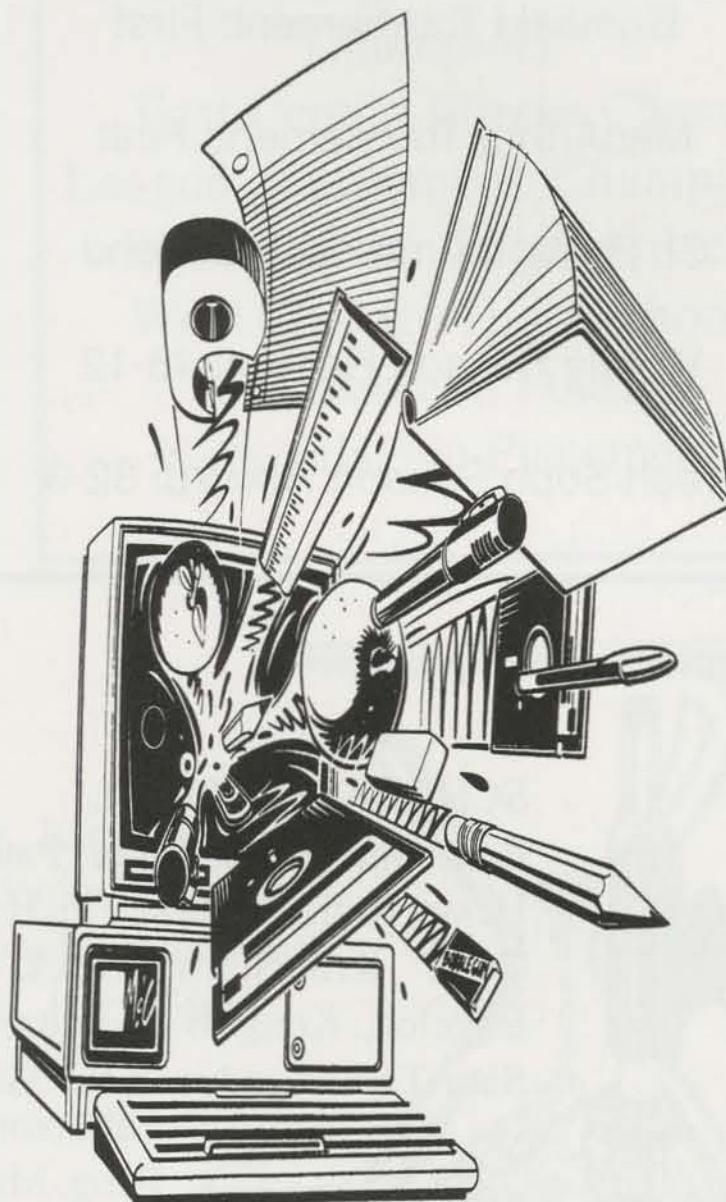
"Being in Mu Alpha is another great honor that U-High students can achieve. I worked really hard to reach this level of success and I appreciate the opportunity to be recognized for it."

- Toni DeCristofaro

Students who wish to be awarded the benefits that being a member of Mu Alpha Theta grants are expected to continue to excel after their recognition. Initiates are welcomed into the organization after obtaining greater than a 3.2 grade

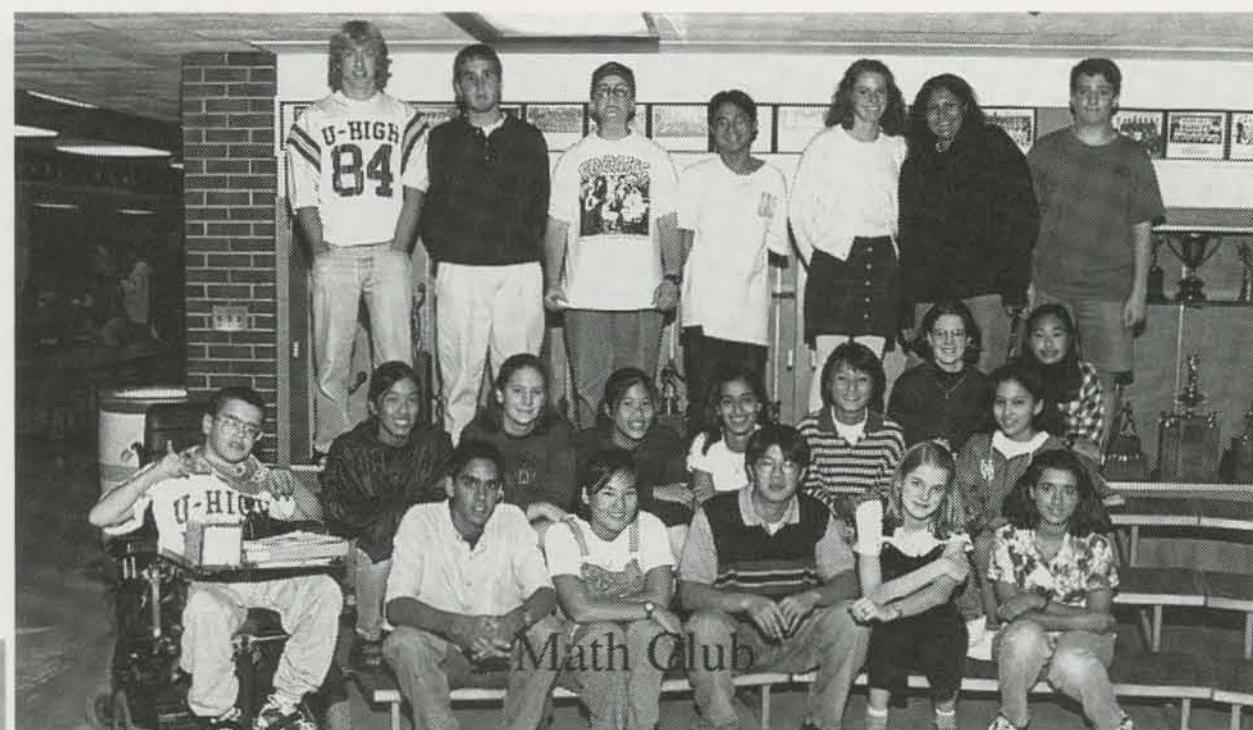
are given math tests which are then scored

against students from other teams, awards are given on the basis of the results of the test.



Mu Alpha Theta

Row One: Sohal Patel, Karen Choi, John Kim, Katie Foster, Rachel Flotkoetter, Megan Shepston, Julia Jarvis, Giang Tang, Danielle Lewis, Andy Golomb. Row Two: Kristen Hoepner, Sarah Colba, Emily Yee, Nidhi Puri, Rekha Ramanuja, Mark Harris, Judy Yin, Kristy Ralston, Becca Martin, Brie Gleason. Row Three: Adam Steuk, Andy Raider, Mike Lockhart, Kevin Jones, Eric Horna, Nick Anderson, Rachel Jannush, Joanie Gerdes, Megan Yontz, Dave Phillips, Nicole Swanson. Row Four: Mike Toepke, Jay Powell.



Math Club

Row One: Chris Birge, Sohal Patel, Karen Choi, John Kim, Katie Brokaw, Ruby Khan. Row Two: Linda Ken, Sarah Colba, Emily Yee, Nidhi Puri, Tina Yang, Kim Goodwin, Sarah Temi, Sarah Chan. Row Three: Adam Stoick, Eric Horna, Drew Patterson, Paul Peng, Tiffany Theatard, Grace Dessa, and Andy Lamonica.

Re-Counting the Season

Scholastic Bowl finds success

By: Besty Eynatten

Scoreboard

Freshmen / Sophomore Tournament Placements

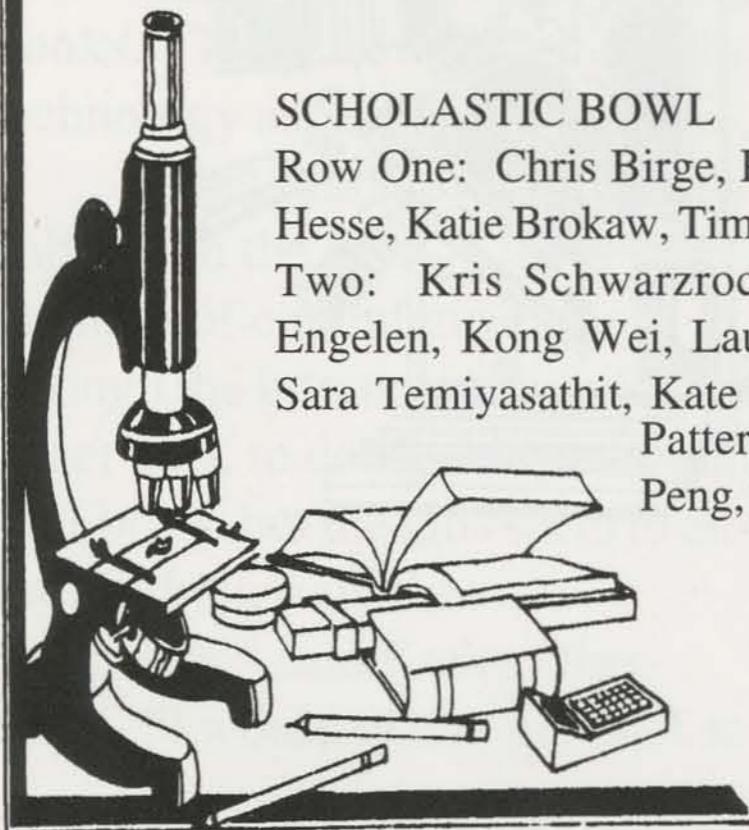
Brimfield Tournament: First

MacArthur Tournament: First

St. Bede Tournament: Second

Varsity Season Record: 46-12

Fresh/Soph Season Record: 32-3



SCHOLASTIC BOWL

Row One: Chris Birge, Patti Liu, Emily Yee, Monica Hesse, Katie Brokaw, Tim Holbrook, Grace Dessa. Row Two: Kris Schwarzkopf, Matt Stephens, Bryson Engelen, Kong Wei, Lauren Webber, Christine Yee, Sara Temiyasathit, Kate Meghji. Row Three: Drew Patterson, Casey Motamedy, Paul Peng, Mike Toepke and Sohal Patel.

Scholastic Bowl has a season lasting from mid-October to mid-April. They have the longest competitive season of any U-High activity. This year, the Varsity team had a season record of 46-12. They were Intercity Champions, Cornbelt Conference Champions, and Regional Champions. The captain was Mike Toepke, and the season high scorer was Tim Holbrook. "Science was my favorite category," said Toepke. Toepke also had the second-highest number of all-tournament appearances; the only one to beat him was

Holbrook, who had nine. Toepke had three. Patty Liu also had three, Paul Peng and Bryson Engelen had one.

"My favorite tournament was Intercity. I also enjoyed being team captain. That was fun."

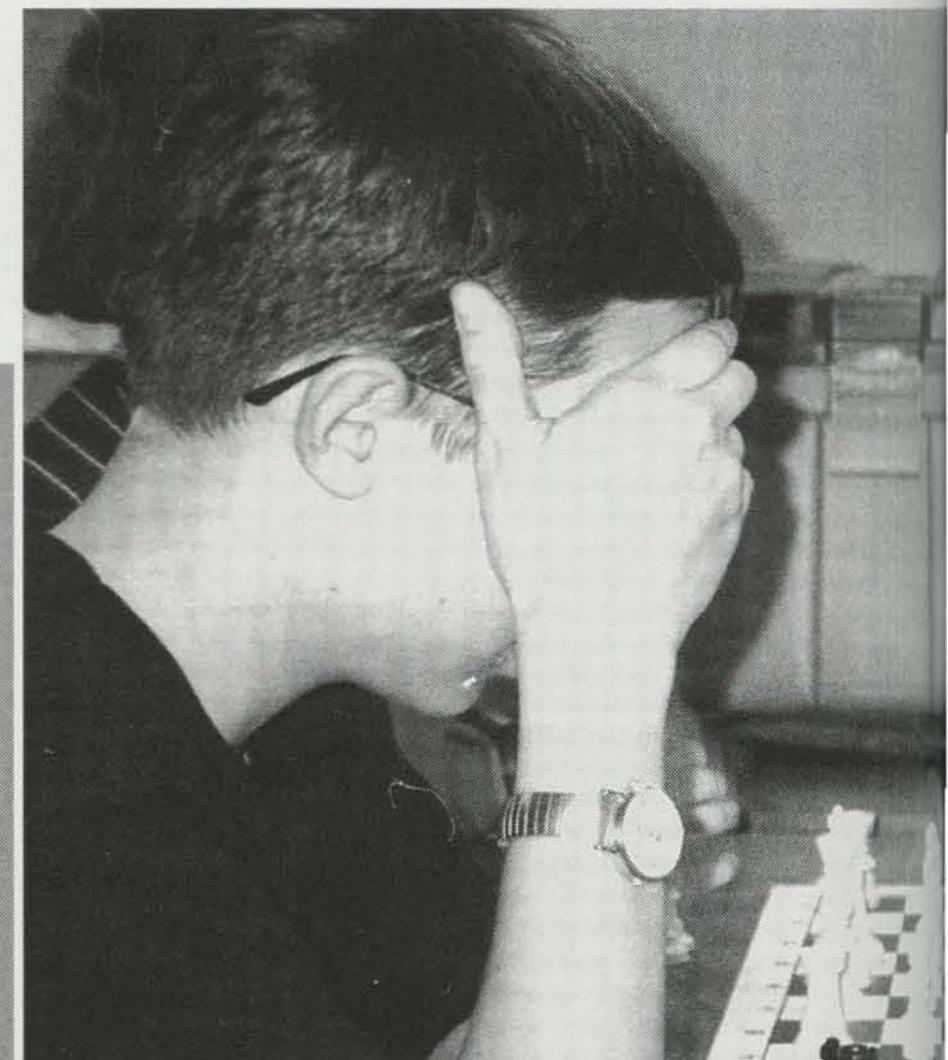
-Mike Toepke

The Freshmen/Sophomore team had a seasonal record of 32-3. Sophomore Patty Liu was on both the freshmen/sophomore team and varsity. The part she remembers best was "winning Intercity." Both junior varsity and

varsity won, allowing a few people to make it into the Alternate team. The captain of the Fresh/Soph team was Tim Holbrook, who was also the high scorer.



Below: Katie Brokaw squeezed in some extra studying for Scholastic Bowl after school.



Re-Doing it in Style

The chess team earns greater respect

By: Betsy Eynatten

Despite their final tournament at Nationals, which they did not place in, our chess team has had a pretty impressive season. With a team as small as nine, the chess team has kept it's head up throughout the season.

Coach Garrett Scott, led the team to three victories and several placements. At the Olympia Invitational, the team had three wins and one tie, taking them to a first place victory. At the Central Illinois High School Chess League tournament, they had four wins and no losses,

"My freshman year, we were on the bottom of the rankings, but this year we had a strong team and we placed second in state."

-Giang Tang

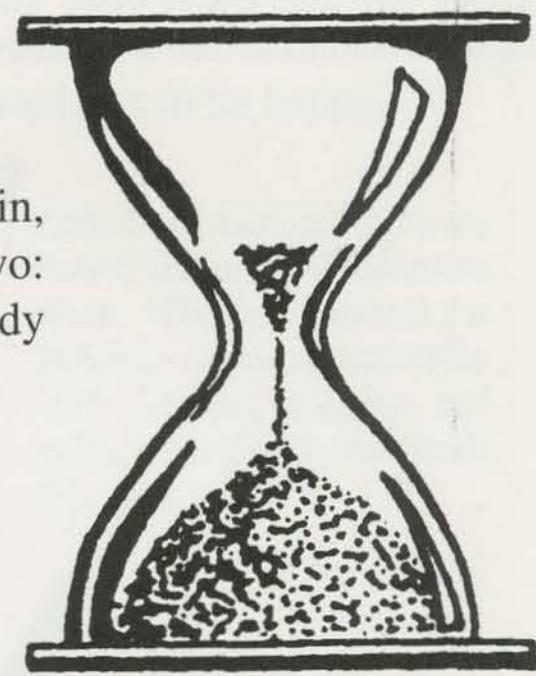
making them the champions. In the East Central Illinois Chess League, they had 12 wins with only two losses, once again making them the champions. At the Illini Classic, which was held in Champaign, they had three wins and only one loss, putting them in second place. In the West Chicago High School tournament, they took fourth place with two wins and two losses.

Having placed second in state, the chess team has definitely made a big leap by showing in-school critics that the chess team has a lot to be proud of.



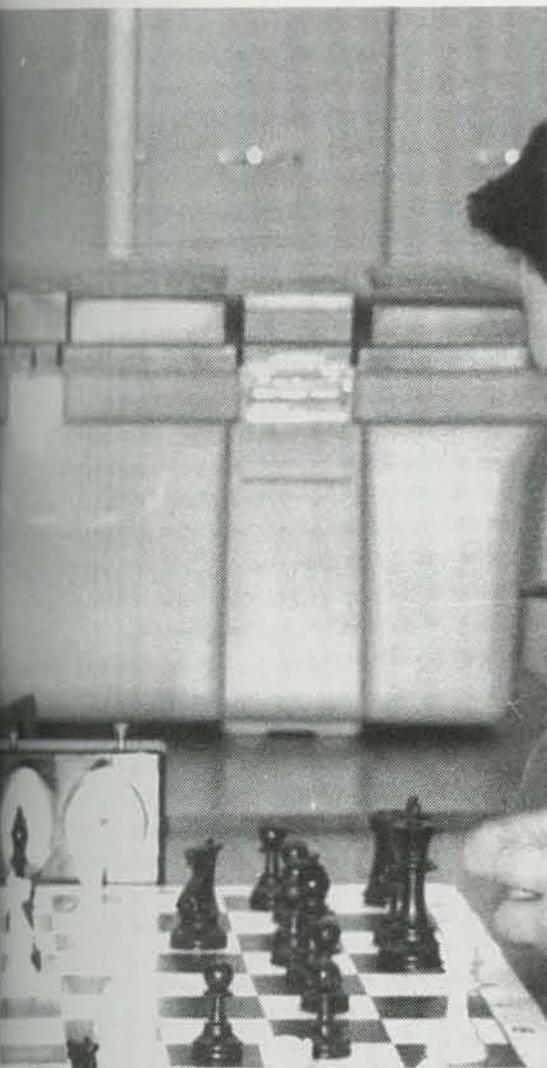
CHESS CLUB

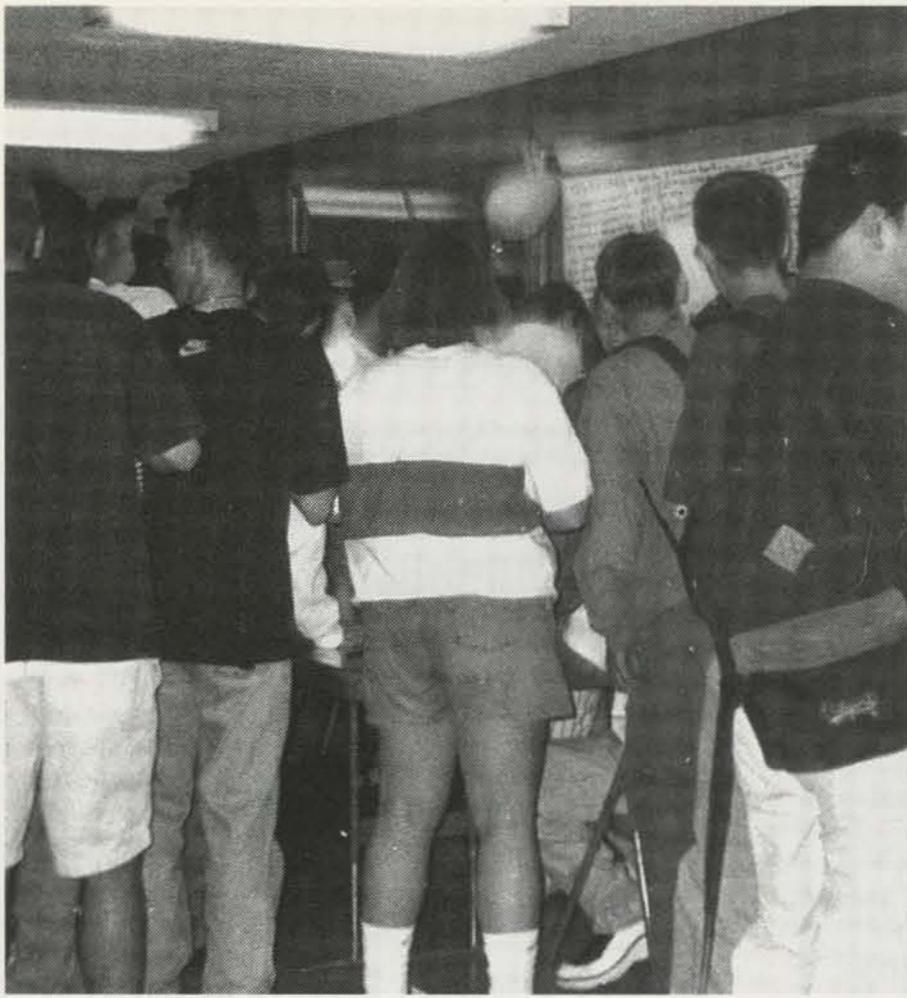
Row One: Giang Tang, Kim Goodwin, Andy Kane, Keith Middleton. Row Two: Jeremy Shive, Aaron Fowles, and Andy Lamonica. Not Pictured: Jason Shive.



Below Left: Jason Shive contemplates his next move at team practice before Nationals, while Andy Lamonica competes against Kim Goodwin.

Below: Andy Lamonica, Jeremy Shive, Kim Goodwin, and Jason Shive practiced their chess game, while coach Garrett Scott looks on.





Above: Students were lined up early for the silent auction to bid on the many items there were offered, including extra credit. Senate sponsors two auctions every year.

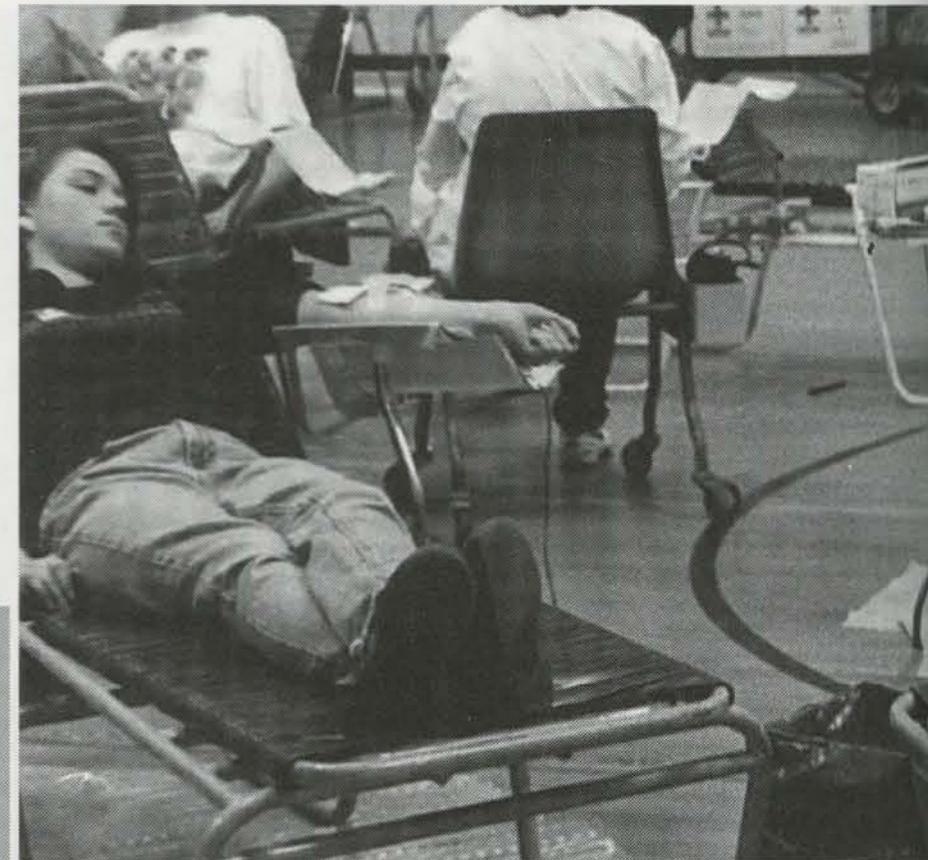
Above Right: Being an honor society member leaves most students with little leisure time. These Juniors manage to find some before the ceremony started.

Individuals

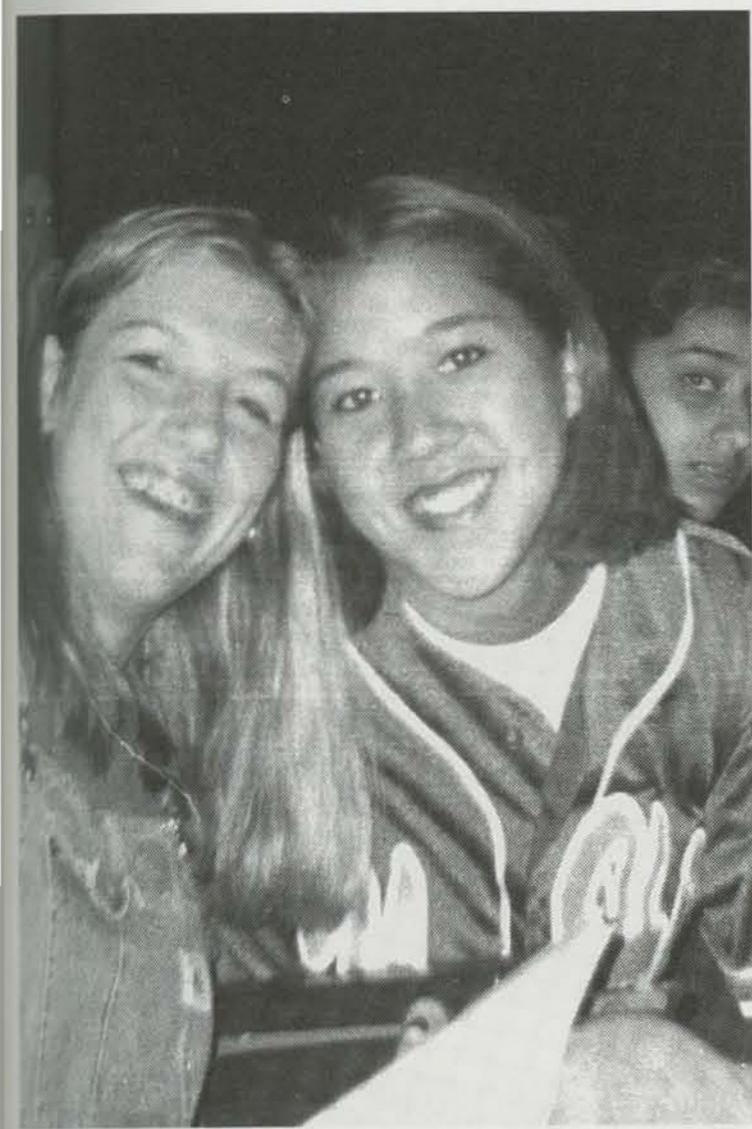


WYSE TEAM

Row One: Shelly Oliver, Brie Gleason, Emily Yee, Rehka Radfadfas, Mike, Toepke, Kim Goodwin, Paul Peng, M Ives. Back Row: Katie Brokaw, Laura Truttman, Sarah Colba, Tony Meizelis, Jay Powell, Kris Schwartzrock, So Patel, Andy Schmidgall, Phil Beccue, Mr. Holbrook.



Below: Friends Molly McCambridge and Judy Yin give each other an affectionate hug during a senate meeting. This year, was their last year in senate together. Sometimes it's just hard to let go.



Realize Your Potential

Senate, National Honor Society and the WYSE Team

By: Jenny Wojcik

The students who have participated in Senate, NHS, and WYSE clubs have gone above and beyond what a normal U-High student is expected to do.

National Honor Society initiates new members every year. For initiation week, students have to carry around signs, candy for other NHS members, and they all had to collect money to benefit victims of the flood in North Dakota.

The WYSE Team was coached this year by Mrs. Ives and Mr. Holbrook. Formerly

known as "JETS," the new team made first place in the state finals. WYSE stands for (Youths in Science and Engineering).

Senate had a very successful and productive year. With a strong executive board and dedicated members, they sponsored two silent auctions, March Madness, teen institute day, a blood drive, and several motivational assemblies. The invited motivational speakers and a state of the art

multimedia performance were welcomed to U-High. The students in senate are the students who want to make a difference in the school and want their fellow students to be happy.

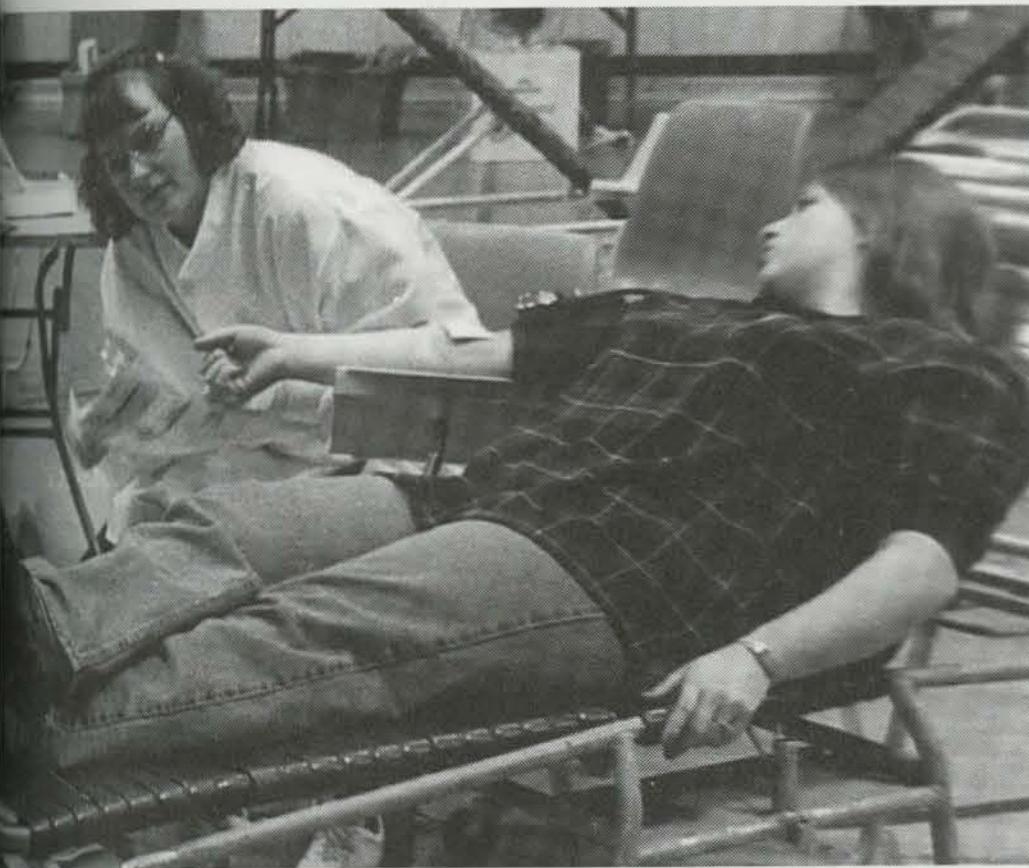
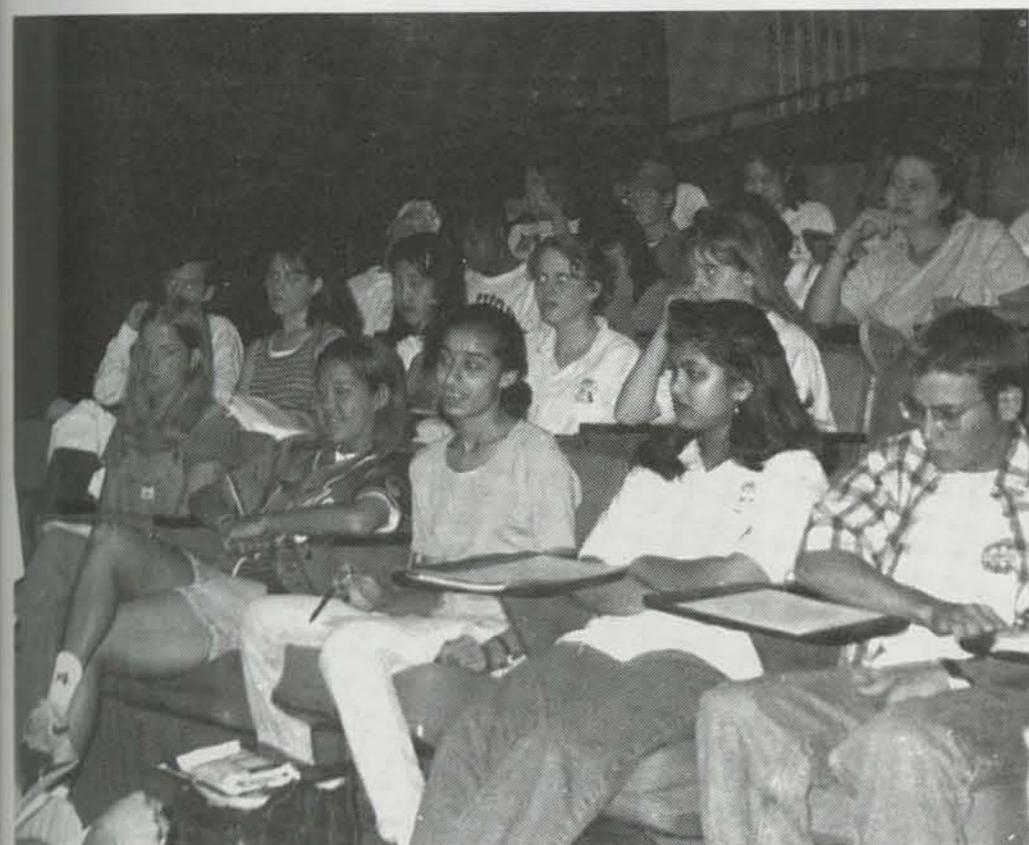
Senate Executive Board

President-John Kim

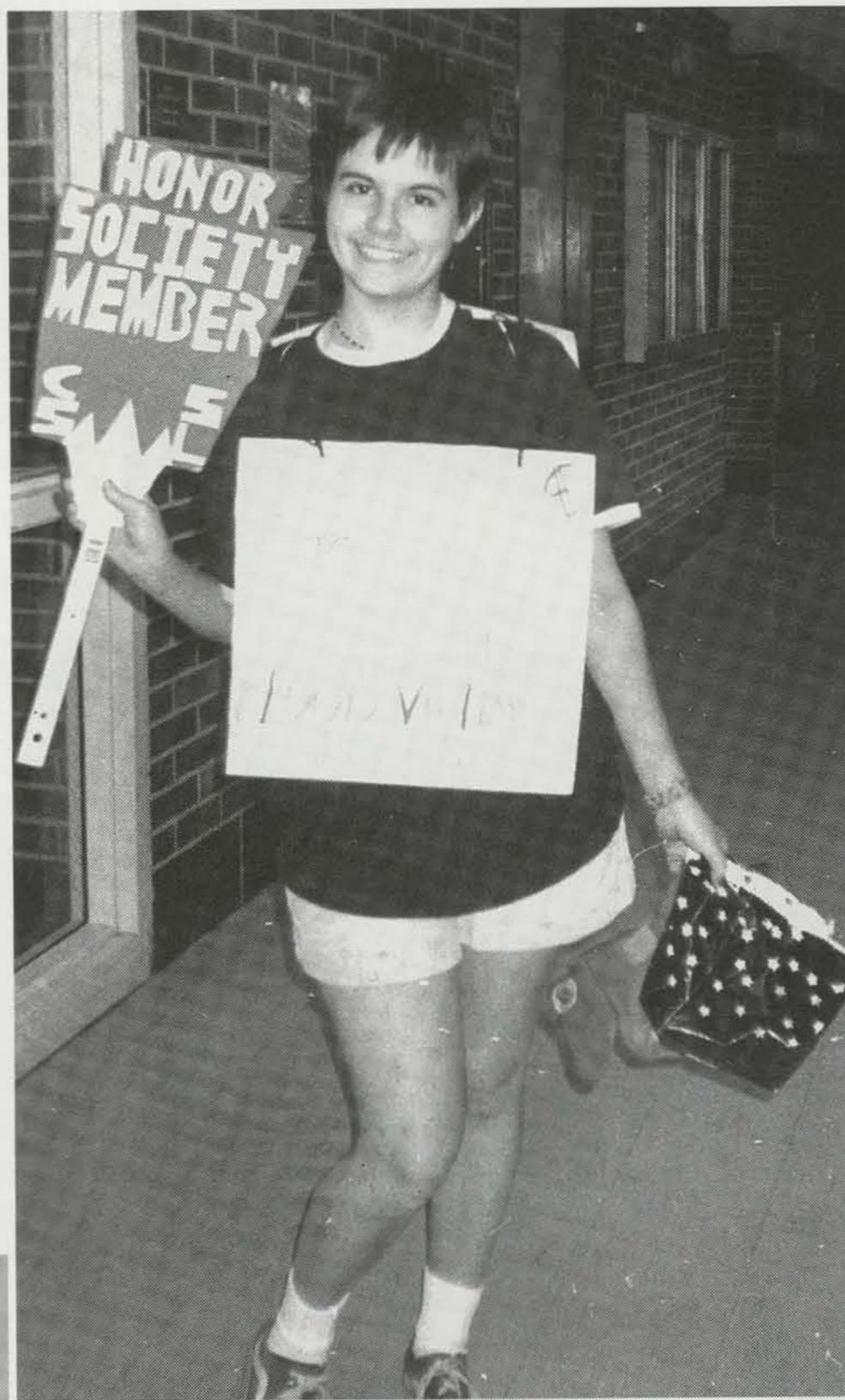
Vice President- Mark Harris

Secretary- Julia Jarvis

Treasurer- Tina Yang



Above: Juniors Amanda Finch and Kristen Miller rest on cots in the small gym after giving blood.

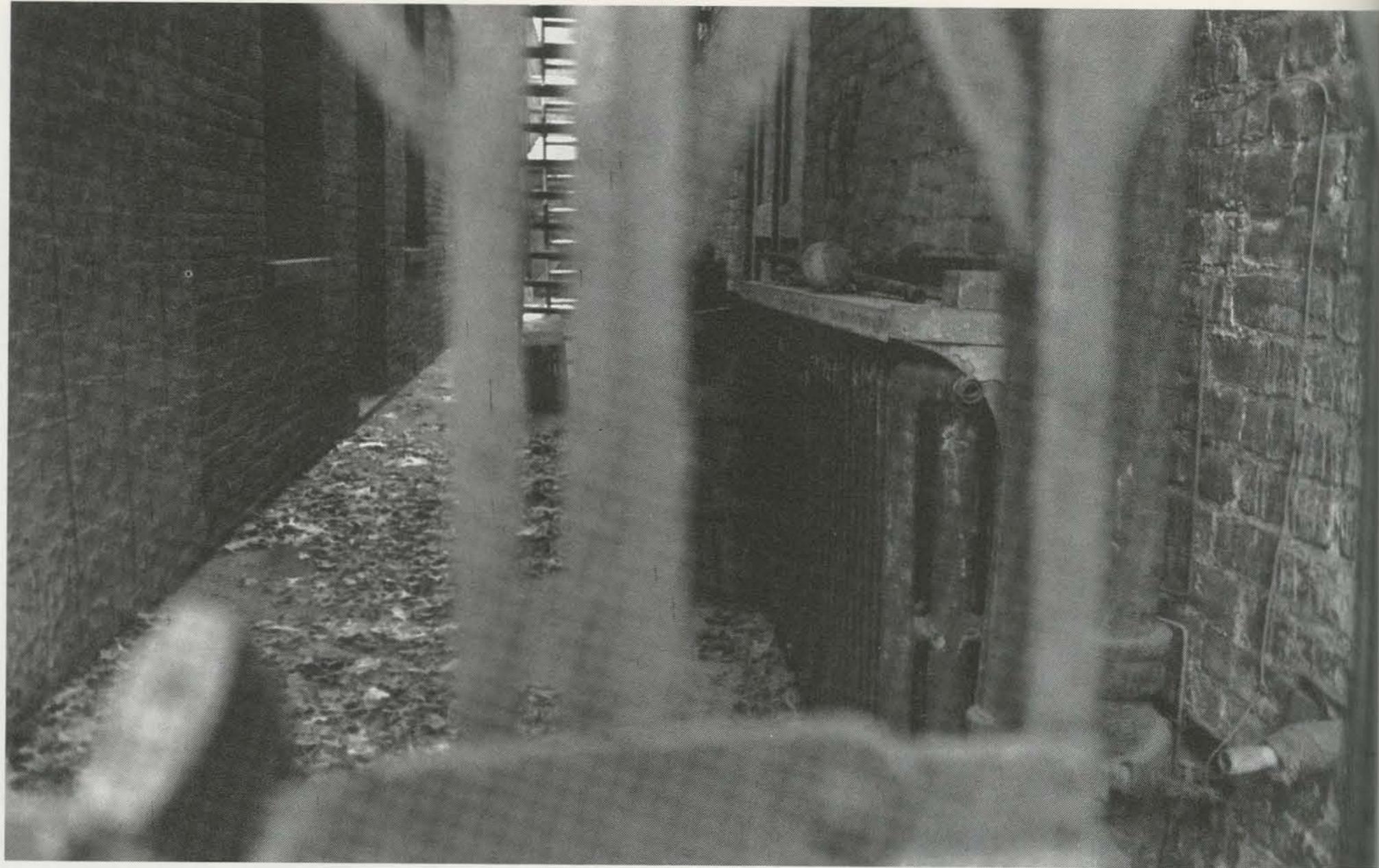


Above Left: Members of Senate conduct one of their early morning meetings in Stroud. Thanks to Senate, U-High students enjoyed dances, fund raisers, the silent auction, and much more.

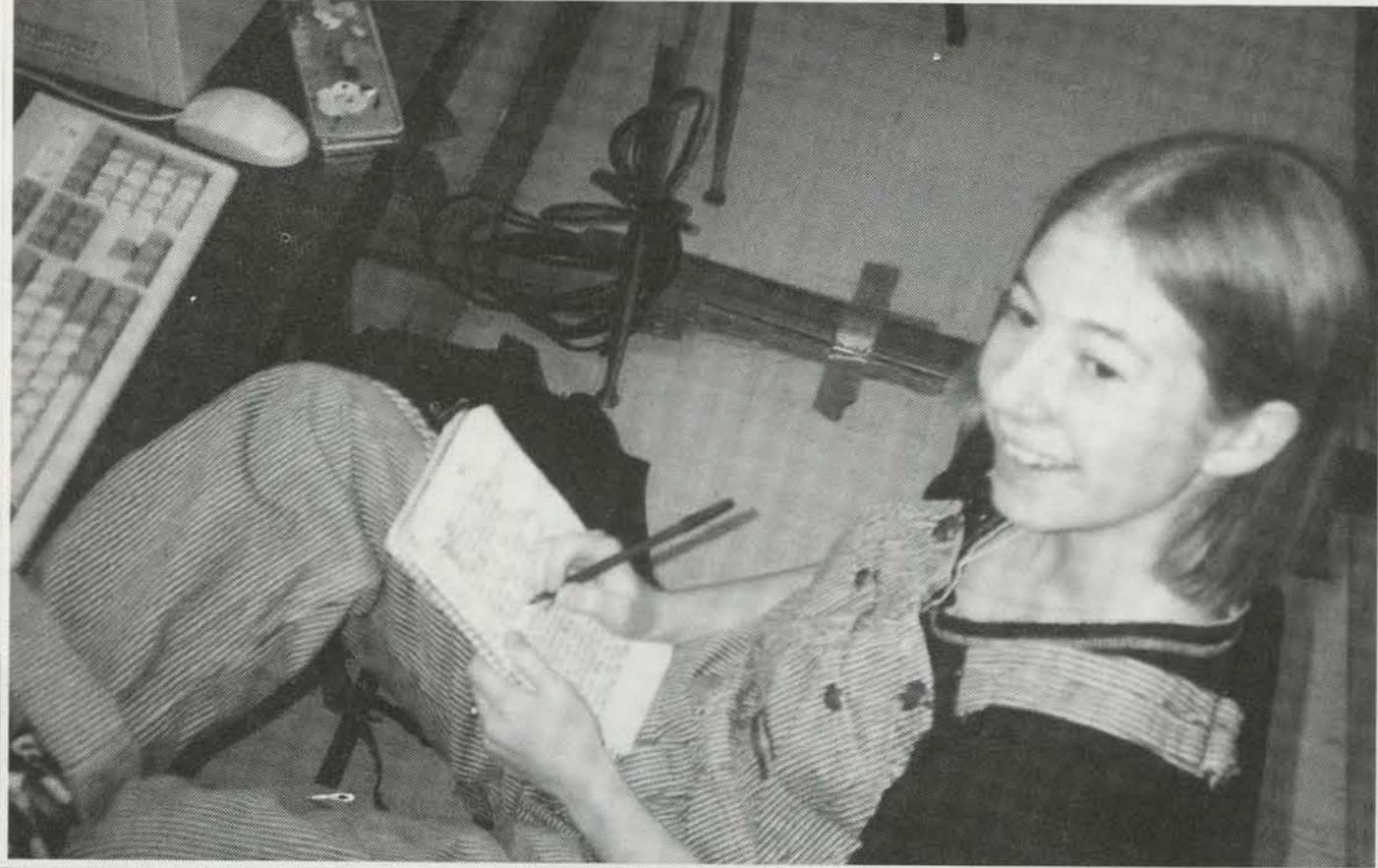
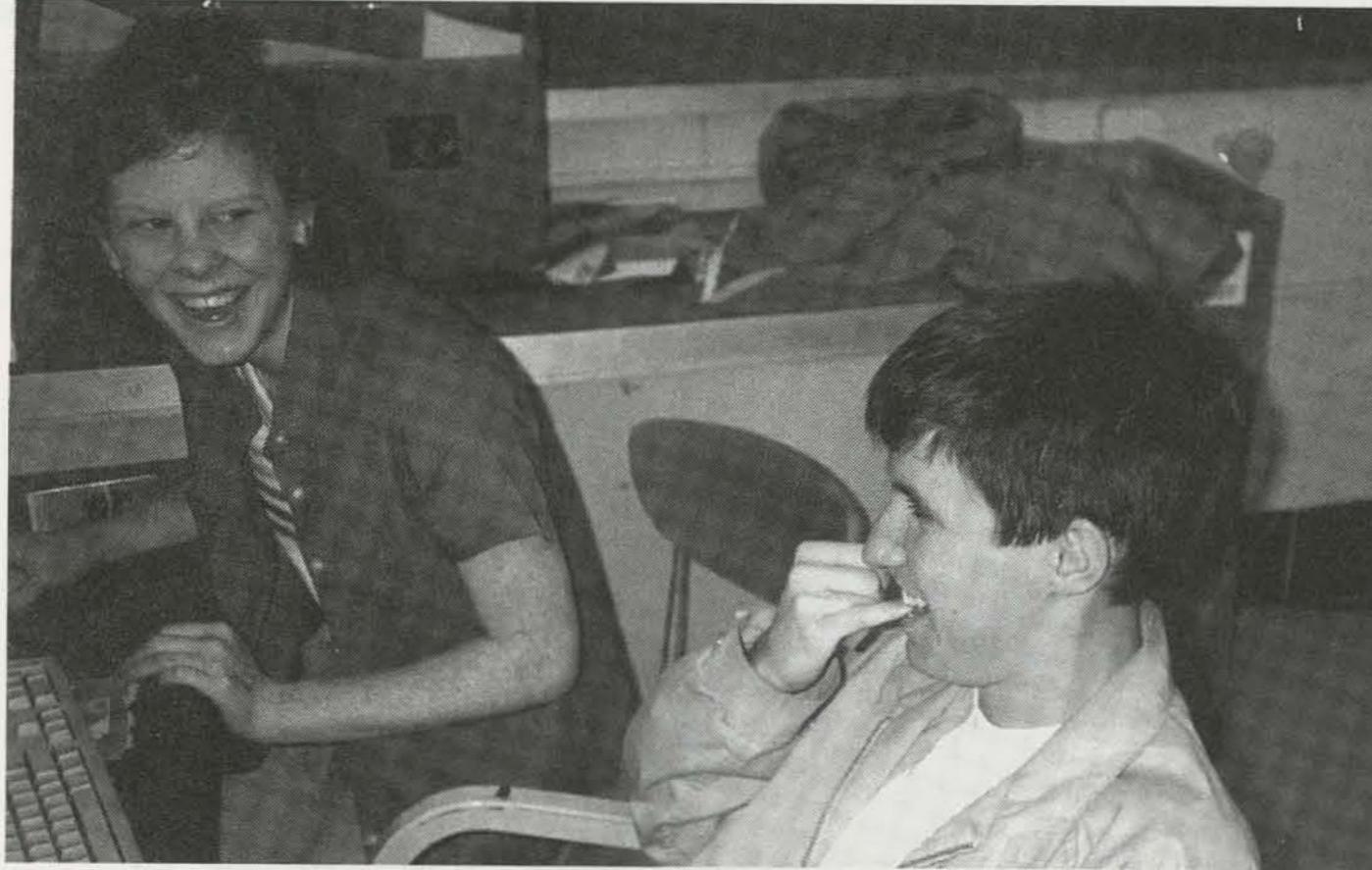


Left: Bond Lamme presents herself during NHS initiation week. The requirements for initiation consist of leadership skills, keeping up grades, and going a week with your hands full.

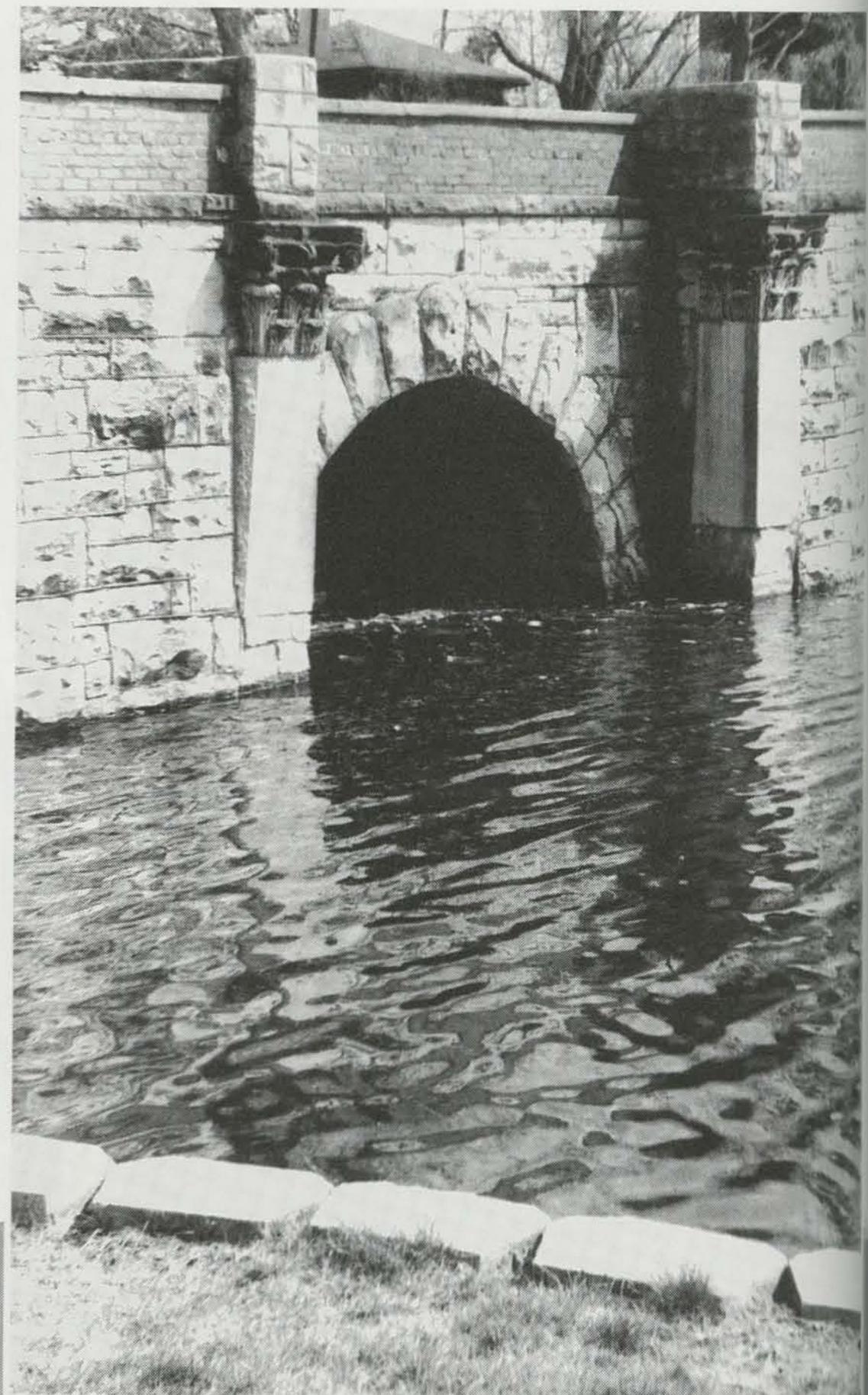
Right: *Brome and Beyond* received a wonderful gift this year in the form of a transfer student, junior Katie O'Neal. O'Neal transferred to U-High from Australia, but calls Kentucky home. O'Neal is a very gifted photographer, whose photos grace the pages throughout the book as well as finding an honored spot on the cover. This picture of an alley is an example of O'Neal's art developed through the lens of the camera.



Below: Senior Rob Mentzer was awarded the title of editor of *Brome and Beyond* this year. Here he jokes around with assistant editor, senior Stephanie Kiesewetter, while putting the finishing touches on the book.



Above: Senior Emma Christensen reflects her thoughts through journaling. Writers often use journal entries in order to feed the flames of inspiration.



Above: *Brome and Beyond* features photographs and artwork, as well as literary pieces. The above photograph taken by Dave Griffith is an example of the kind of work that is submitted to the magazine.

Poetic Inspiration

Nothing Gold Can Stay

Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold.
Her early leaf's a flower;
But only so an hour.
Then leaf subsides to leaf.
So Eden sank to grief,
So dawn goes down to day.
Nothing gold can stay.

-by Robert Frost

Song an excerpt

When thou sigh'st, though sigh'st
not wind,
But sigh'st my soul away;
When though weep'st, unkindly kind,
My life's blood doth decay:
It cannot be
That thou lovest me as thou waste,
That art the best of me.

-by John Donne

Reluctant Dreamers

Budding authors thrive in *Brome and Beyond* and Creative Writing Club

By: Stephanie Kiesewetter

Each year, students with a creative flare are given the opportunity to join the creative writing club. Kathy Clesson seeks members from her popular creative writing class and the student body as a whole.

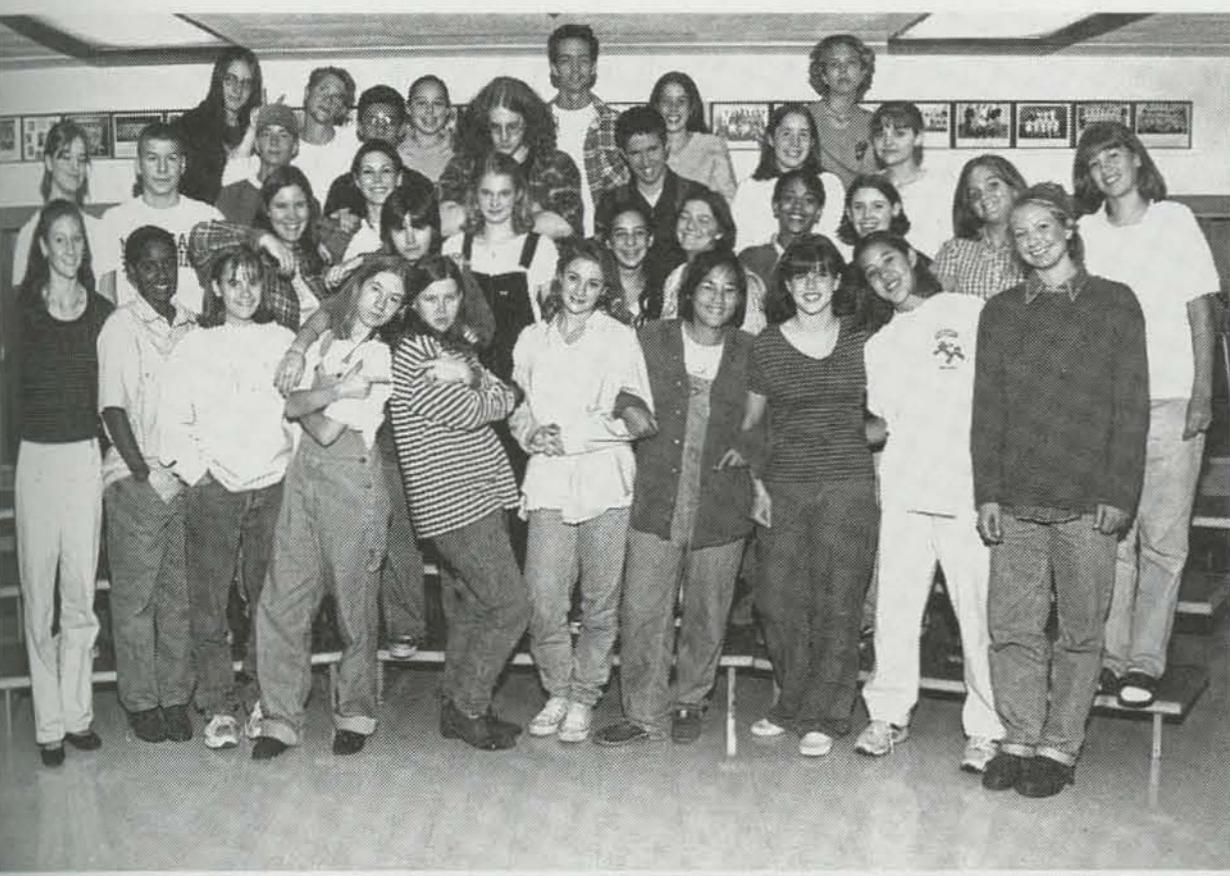
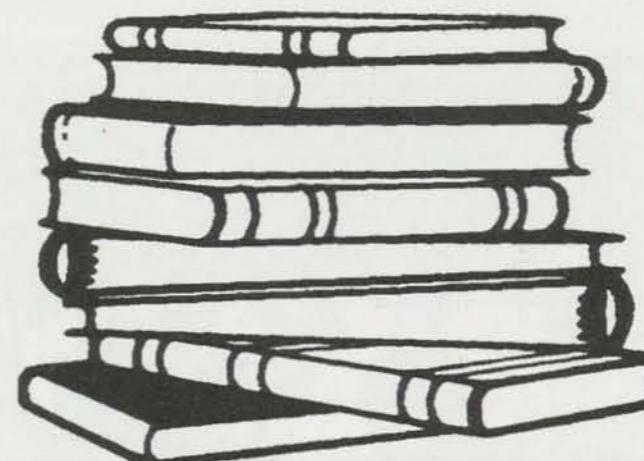
The club kicked off the year with a party honoring the release of the 1996 *Brome and Beyond*. Students who were published in the book received invitations to pick up an advance copy and enjoy a few refreshments while learning more about the club.

The club planned to meet bimonthly to discuss members writing, offer support, discuss books each were reading and bring guest speakers to U-High to teach non-writers about their craft.

Unfortunately after a few meetings members interests began to sag and meetings began to turn towards the business of the 1997 *Brome and Beyond*.

The *Brome* staff usually consists of a few ambitious creative writers. This year that group was headed up by Rob Mentzer, who served as editor of the book. Two new positions were added to help with the ease of publication, Stacia Thetard joined the staff as Art Director and Stephanie Kiesewetter worked closely with Mentzer as Layout Director.

Brome and Beyond publishes creative writing and art work submitted by students ninth through twelfth grades, as well the winners of the Robert Brome Award. Clesson suggested that a new approach be taken in selecting pieces to be published, for the first time the *Brome and Beyond* committee consisted of members from each grade level. This year's staff dedicated themselves to many hours of hard work, reading through submissions, and typing them up.



CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

Row One: Sarah Shamess, Melanie Shinnault, Paula McDaniel, Emma Christensen, Victoria Roberts, Rachel Flotkoetter, Karen Choi, Debbie Goldfarb, Judy Yin, Sara Johnson. Row Two: Laura Dwyer, Mark Harris, Trudi Shoening, Stacia Thetard, Bong Lammey, Katie Brokaw, Jenny Wojik, Sarah Weiss, Hillary Illif, Brandy Braye, Lindsay O'Neil, Alyssa Jennings. Row Three: Chris Blume, Bryson Engelen, Dan Behrns, Rob Mentzer, Laura Jennings, Jamie Lutes. Row Four: Kurt Sanders, Josh Gibson, Maggie Saluto, Lauren Reno, and Erin Nelson. Not Pictured: Stephanie Kiesewetter.

BROME AND BEYOND

Row One: Dan Behrns, Victoria Roberts, Karen Choi. Row Two: Emma Christensen, Katie Brokaw, Stacia Thetard, Debbie Goldfarb. Row Three: Bond Lammey, Josh Gibson, Rob Mentzer, Lauren Reno, and Bryson Engelen. Not Pictured: Stephanie Kiesewetter, Dana Grzeskowiak, Molly Archer, Julia Groves, Kurt Sanders and Mike Skolmoski.

PEOPLE OF COLOR

Row One: Melanie Shinault, Raven, Janell Rayford, Keith Watson, Rebecca Fritz, Paul Hursey, Shana Thompson. Row Two: Aaron Guzman, Grace Dessa, Misty Younge, Erica Hunter, Chiffon Morris. Row Three: Brandon Younge, Phil Liming, Michael Lockhart, Max Marshall, Reggie Warner, Kim Bradshaw, Nicole Pittman, Phillip Beale, Carley Shinault, Wes Shinault.

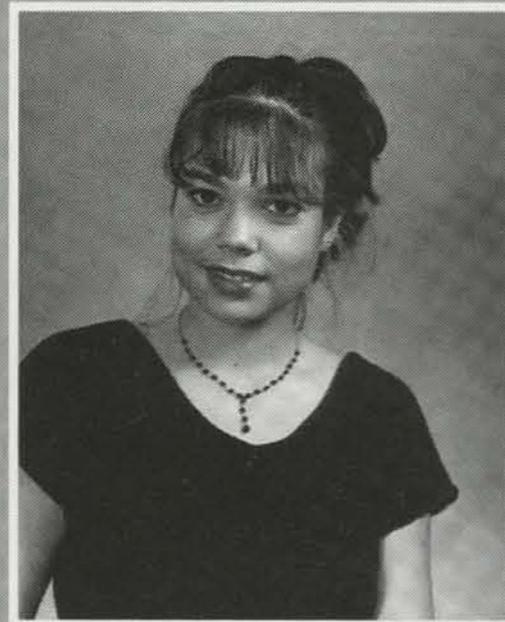


CULTURE CLUB

Row One: Tina Yang, Sara Chan, Karen Choi, Kristi WItherow, Andy Golomb. Row Two: Rinsola Adelekan, Nidhi Puri, Hillary Illif, Laura Jennings, Rachel Jannush, Julie Bisbee, Laura Dwyer. Row Three: Bryan Houghton, Jamie Lutes, Becca Martin, Grace Dessa, Kristy Ralston, Molly Hodel, Megan Yontz, Vicky Roberts and katie Brokaw.

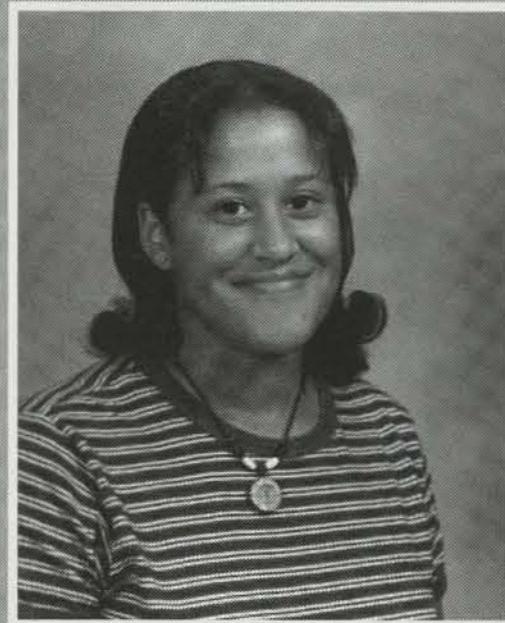


What do you think of the People of Color club this year?



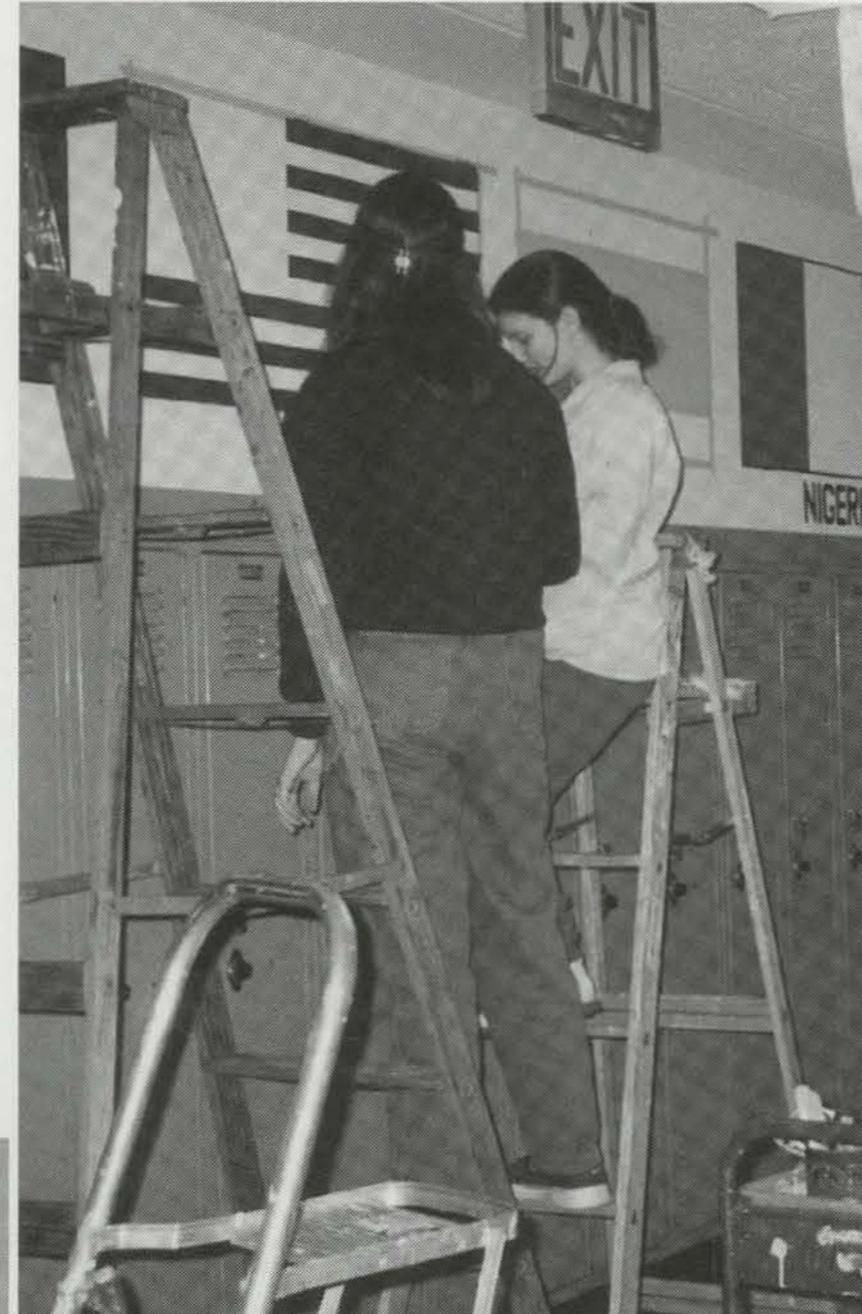
"I think that the People of Color club wasn't diverse enough this year. There weren't many cultures that were represented."

-Raven Nunez

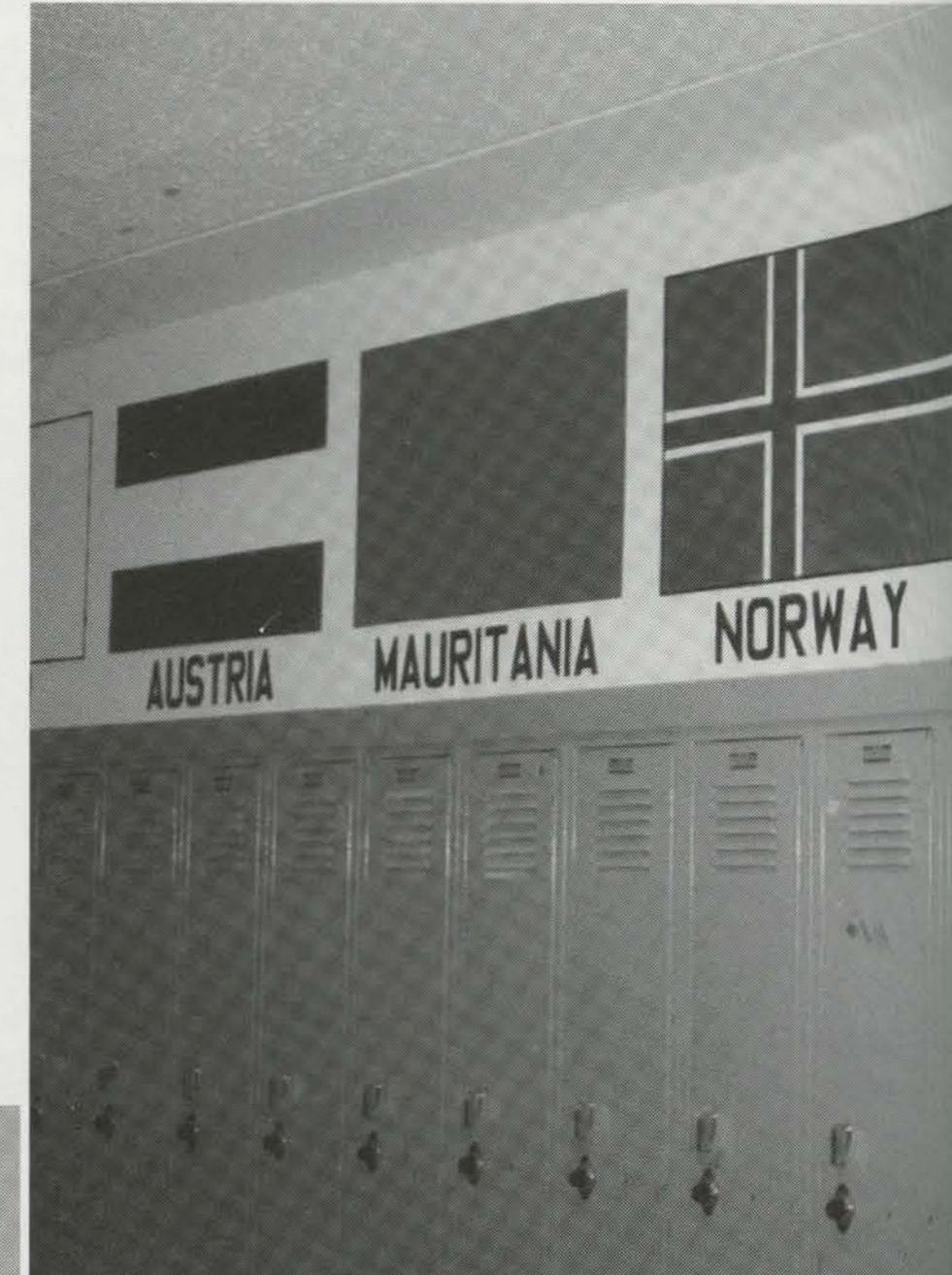


"I thought we had a lot of good ideas, but we didn't accomplish enough of them."

-Rebecca Fritz



Above: Painting the flags in the hallway was a messy job, but the Culture Club members lived up to the task. These members even came in on the weekend to finish.



Above: In an effort to brighten up the drab hallways, the walls were decorated with the flags of many different countries. "Being able to see my heritage displayed on the walls of my high school really made a happy day for me," said student Toni DeCristofaro.

Nidhi Puri was featured in the newspaper outlining the design for this Vietnam flag. The project by the culture club took weeks to complete, and was very tedious, but definitely worth it in the end.



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Realizing U-High's Heritage

Culture Club and People of Color takes pride to new levels

By Molly Archer



If you've noticed any colorful new addition to the school this year, it's probably been the flags on the walls above the lockers. This was one of the many productive projects for the U-High Culture Club. "The flag painting project was our main attraction this year," said Sara Chan, one of the four "Co-Presidents" of Culture Club. The other presidents were Kim Goodwin, Giang Tang, and Nidhi Puri.

One of the other projects that Culture Club did was a fashion show, called "Cultures of the World", where costumes from countries like Egypt, China, Korea, and India were exhibited.

Another project was culture club's booth at Globalfest. At their booth culture club helped inform attendees of Globalfest about traditional games from other countries, such as Mancala,

an African game, Chinese checkers, a Chinese game, and Pente, a Spanish game.

Culture Club was pleased with the increase in membership this year. "We have almost twice the people involved with culture club than we did last year," said Sara Chan. "We tried to involve the whole school in our activities."

The U-High people of Color club has a mission that is quite similar to the Culture Club's mission: to help U-High students realize and un-

derstand their heritage. One of the largest project the People of Color took on was the Black History Month assembly which focused on African-American contributions to music. "We spent most of the year planning for the assembly. After that was over there wasn't much left to do," said Raven Nunez.

"The flag painting project was our main attraction this year."

-Sara Chan



Left: Emily Yee, Kim Goodwin, and Paul Peng work on the flag project, one of the most involved projects that Culture Club decided to take on this year.



POMS

Row One: Megan Shepston, Giang Tang, Jennifer Objartel. Row Two: Rachel Flottkoetter, Carmon Jones, Sara Donovan, Katie Foster. Row Three: Meghan Turnis, Natasha Owen, Kim Moore, and Brooke Flottkoetter.



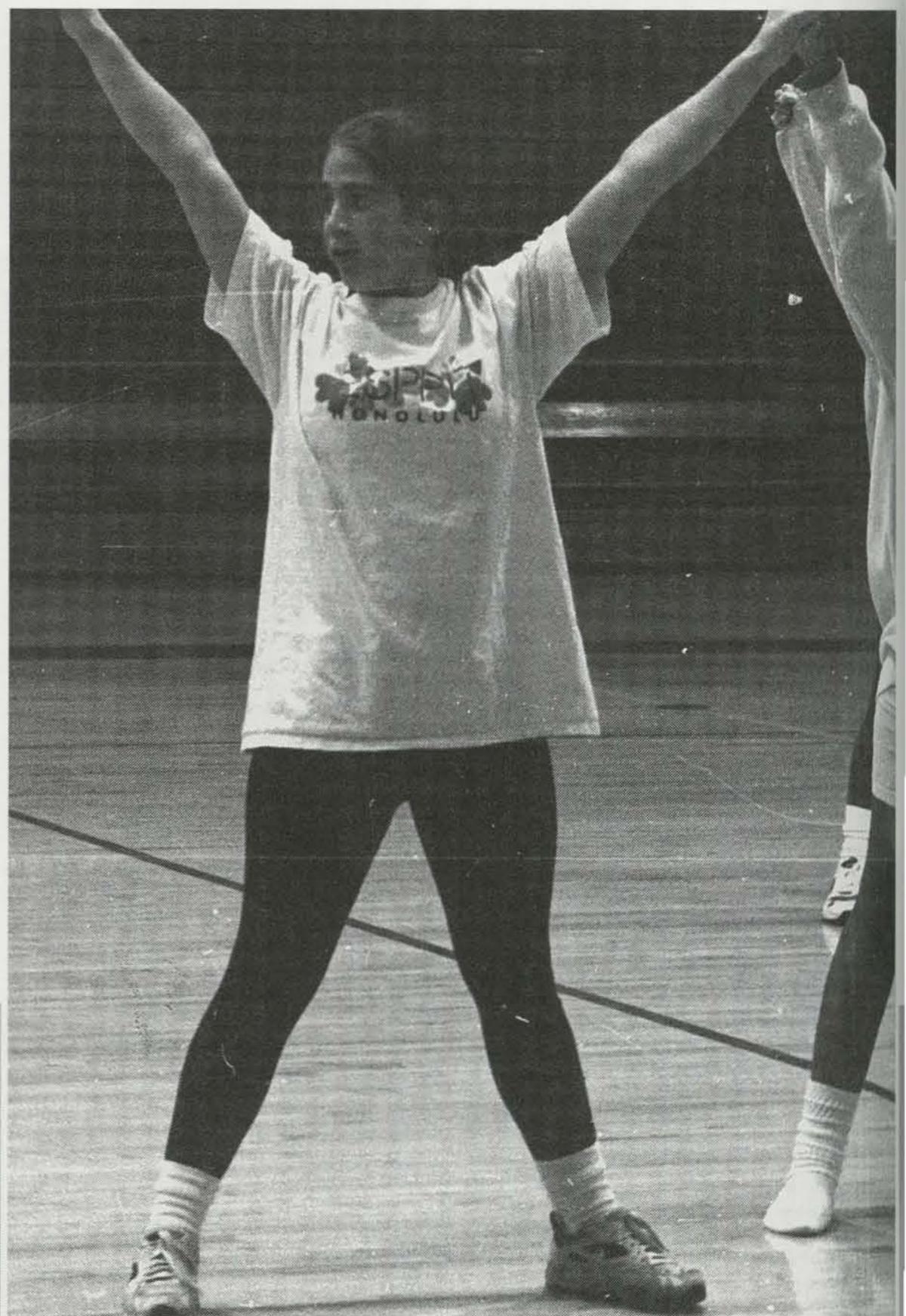
FLAGS

Sara Chan, Katie Wright, Stephanie Schweitzer, Becky Roediger, Nicole Pittmon, Jill Donovan, Patty Liu, Sarah something.



Right: Katie Foster displays a dance move that Poms included in one of their dances this year. Poms work very hard on each of their dances and deserve to be congratulated on the dedication and long hours of work.

Below: Karen Choi gives us a big wave as she hangs out in the lounge before Orchesis concert. Choi participated in orchesis her junior and senior year and looks like she's loved it!



Regeneration of Spirits

Poms Flags and Orchesis add flavor to activities

By Erin O'Connor

Many U-High activities bring the school together in spirit and mind. Obviously everyone is aware of the Pom Pon squad because of their enthusiastic practices right in the middle of the lounge after school. The Pom Pon squad is always right there with the boy's basketball team all the way up to the state tournament. Natasha Owen said, "The most exciting game to cheer at was definitely the Mid West Central game." Sarah Faber said that it was an interesting year because their coach quit

within the first two weeks of practice.

The Orchesis Intercity Dance Company this year performed two interesting and entertaining concerts, one in the fall and one in the spring. The fall concert was a rather low key concert. The spring concert's topic was "Gestures," was more upbeat and enthusiastic.

Most of the performers enjoyed both concerts, however Carla James said, "I did not like the first one as much as the second one."

"The most exciting game to cheer at was definitely the MidWest Central game."

-Natasha Owen

Left: Seniors in Orchesis have an interesting pose for the camera during one of their pieces in a concert. The seniors include from top to bottom Rachel Flottkoetter, Gary Thompson, Kristen Weidman (Central Catholic), Reggie Warner, Beth Skolmolski, Andy Steadman, Molly McCambridge, Katie Foster, Karen Choi, Amy Orsulak (Normal Community), Megan Shepston, and Vicky Roberts.



JAZZ GOLD

Row One: Jon Choi, Josh Gibson, Ryne Grubar, Rob Turner, Reggie Warner, Ryan Shaw. Row Two: David Manjerraz, Rebecca Goodwin, Phil Beale, Keith Middleton, Kurt Sanders, Matt Snyder, Matt Styczynski. Row Three: Chris Blume, Brandon Fifer, Marcus Snyder, Drew Patterson.



JAZZ GREEN

Row One: Josh Gibson, David Manjerraz, Tammy Storbakken, Matt Casselman, Kate Rudasil. Row two: Sara Powell, Rebecca Goodwin. Row Three: Hutch Henderson, Adam Humphries, Keith Middleton, Rachel Crider, Christine Yee. Row Four: Jon Choi, Anthony Fulford, Sara Gibson, Renny McBride.



Below: Marcus Snyder and Chris Blume practice a few parts in their music before class, while others get their instruments out.



Below: The U-High field show is something the band is very proud of. Many hours of class time go into putting the show together, here the trumpet section show their stuff during a performance at a football game.



Above Middle: Freshman Eric Iliff practices his music before class starts.

Above: The Drumline prepares to play at a football game. Band prepares a field show each year to entertain pioneer fans at half time. Field shows also serve as competition pieces for the marching band.

Below: Gary Thompson gets into the groove at a football game. The Marching Pioneers perform during halftime at home football games.



Recomposing Standards

Band and orchestra make U-High proud

By: Nathan Turnis

The U-High band is made up of three different areas. There is a marching band, a Pep Band, and the Concert band, all directed by Amy Johnson. The Orchestra is a different part of the music department consisting of string instruments.

The Marching band is seen at home football games marching during halftime. The show that is done at the games is the same one that is done at their competitions. This year the band participated in a few competitions, including the state competition held at ISU. It was the first time in a few years that the Marching Pioneers have competed in the competition.

“The improvement from the beginning of the year was phenomenal. We all pulled together to become the great marching Pioneers.”

-Chris Charlesworth

in the semester.

Amy Johnson also directs the orchestra. They perform at music concerts throughout the year.



Left: Warming up before class is necessary for optimum sound. Freshman Justin Stanley practices his scales before class began..

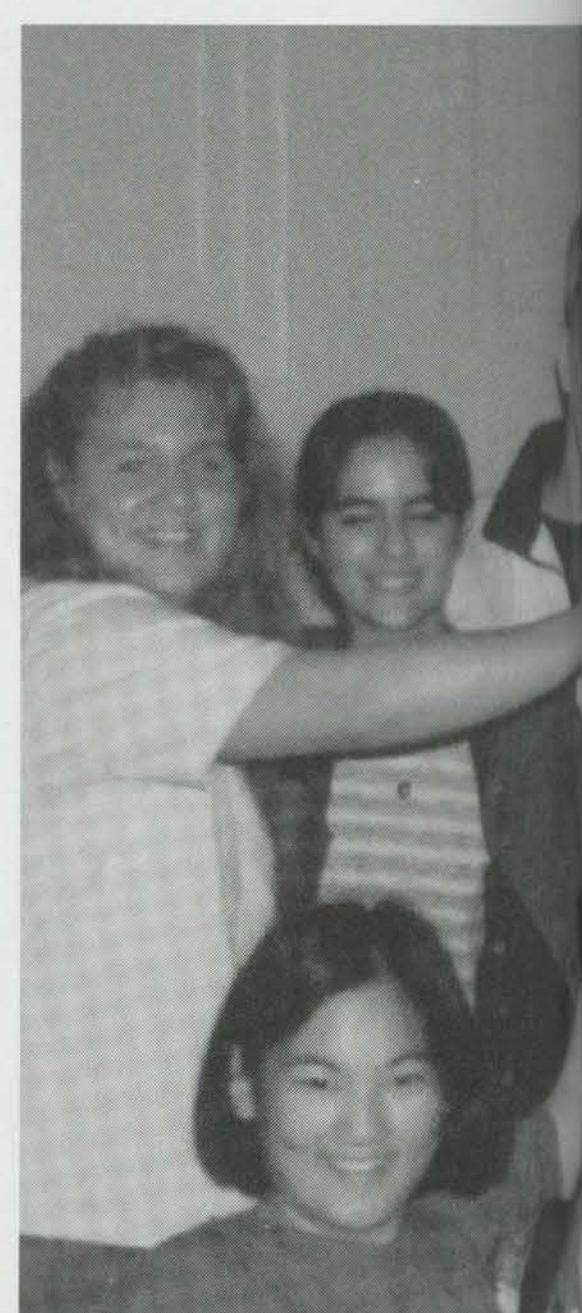
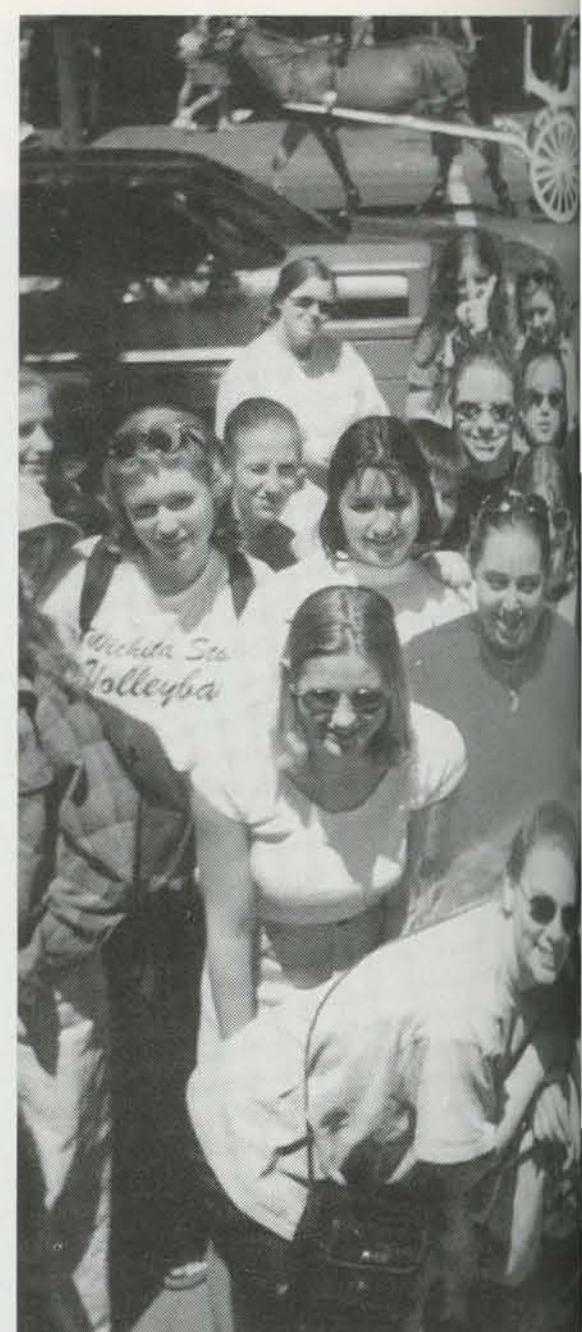
Right: Choral members gather together to show off their stuff before one of their many performances. Sometimes shows can last up to two hours.



Right: Jazzin' in the Evenin Director, Vic Anderson, is seen partaking of the Cajun style cuisine at Michael's on St. Charles Street.



Choral members Jason Weisberg, David Steadman, and Robert Kerns practice for Fifty Years of Chorus on p.



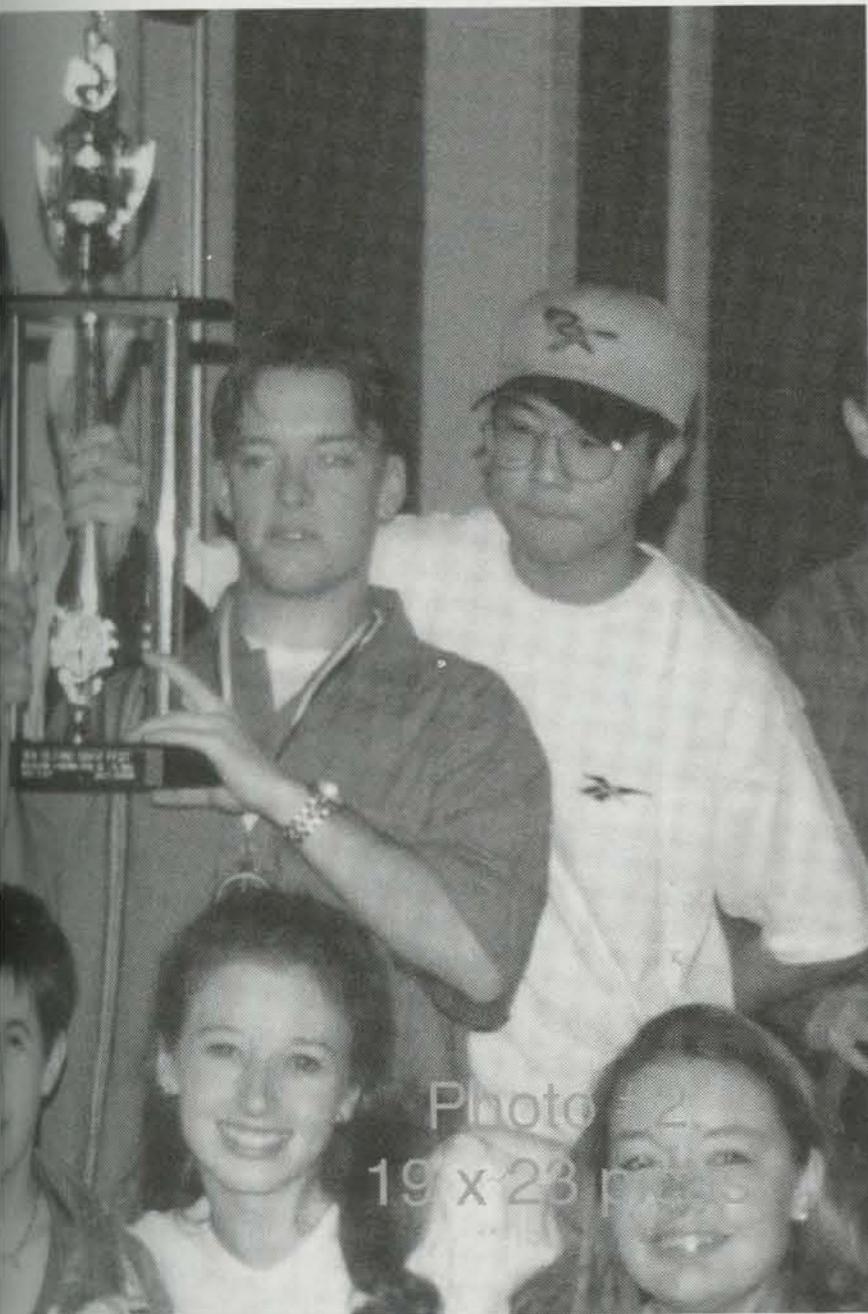
Chorus Swings into the Big Easy!

By Dana Grzeskowiak

The singing pride of U-High had many interesting times this year when finally the day arrived for the big chorus trip. After many weeks of selling items and spending weekends working concessions at the stadium the students then had enough money to travel to New Orleans. The trip was taken after spring break allowing the

students to miss a little of class time. The class got to travel the ins and outs of the musical city, causing them to learn about types of jazz and blues music. During their stay the class performed as a whole and separate choral groups. They earned six trophies and five metals to add to the vast display case at U-High. The trip home was a long and silent one, with a bus full of musical dreamers.

"The trip home was a long and silent one, with a bus full of musical dreamers."



Above Top: Everyone stops what they're doing to snap a shot with the huge trophy the chorus won.

Above: Chorus members pause for a group shot on the corner of Bourbon Street.



Everyone's favorite chorus teacher, Nancy Isaacson, brilliantly displays all six trophies and five metals her choral groups received.

MADRIGALS

Row One: Brooke Flotkoetter, Victoria Roberts, Bond Lammey, Jeanne Hurtz, Amy VanCauwenberge, Karen Choi, Kim Goodwiin. Row Two: Tim Holbrook, John Kim, Jason VanCauwenberge, Andy Stedman, John Choi, Jake Olbert, and Rob Kerns.



MADRIGAL BRASS

Row One: Alexis Bair, Chris Blume, Brandon Feifer, Drew Patterson Row Two: Kong Wei, Stazinski?, Kurt Sanders, Renny McBride, Director Amy Johnson.



MADRIGAL RECORDERS

Row One: Justin Filipiak, David Manjarrez, Emily Yee, Christine Yee. Row Two: Director Sally Hoffman.



COURT SINGERS

Row One: Sara Weiss, Emily Baldoni, Ned Gibson, Lotti Bergstrom, Paul Peng, Pegah Hemmati, Chad McKittrick, Monica Hesse. Row Two: Maggie Saluto, Kuo-Hsing Lian, Neel Mookerjee, Wilson, Brandon Albee, Sara Temi, Phil Hoffman, Katie Brokaw, Row Three: Jay McCullough, Katie Augspurger, Mike Ducett, Sara Kelly, Jim Oltman, Brianna Kaufman, Matt Augspurger, April Bates.



MADRIGAL STRINGS

Row One: Steven Vittitoe, Crystal Foreman, Andy Schmidgall, Anna Smith. Row Two: Aaron Fleischer, Sara Temi, Neel Mookerjee, Kristen Smith, Sophie Kahn, Lynda K. Director Amy Johnson, and Justin Stanley.



University High School Fine Arts Department
Tenth Anniversary of Madrigal Dinners

A Resounding Song

Madrigals do "The French Are Coming!"

By: Jason VanCauwenberge



The Madrigals this season

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ing bellows of song. The performances of the show included two dinners on the regular Sunday before Thanksgiving while there was an extra dessert performance the following day. The performances were

"The Madrigal groups at U-High keep getting better and they are a great experience because students learn so much by participating."

-Andy Stedman

skillfully carried out by all who participated. In addition the participation of the Madrigal Strings as well as the Madrigal Brass and recorders made the perfor-

mances that much more enjoyable. Along with the U-High Chorus and Jazz Ensembles the Mads took a trip to New Orleans and were very successful.

Sunday, December 1, 1996

1 p.m. & 6 p.m.

Monday, December 2, 1996

6 p.m.

Jumer's Bonaparte Room



Above: Karen Choi and Jacob Olbert display grand stage presence during one performance of the Madrigal dinners.

Recant, Reword, Recite

Speech team makes a comeback

By Toni DeCristofaro



The James took over the coaching position working since before the season began. In a peculiar spot, it was already the middle of the season, the team was determined to succeed, making up for lost time. Twenty-five people showed interest in participating, but that number soon dwindled down to five. The five active participants were senior Karen Choi, and juniors Toni DeCristofaro, Katie Brokaw, Matt Augsburger, and Ruby Kahn.

The team worked constantly, pushing themselves to achieve a level comparable to rival teams who had been

that their was a possibility that there may not be a speech team this year. Instead of sitting idly by, waiting for the administration to take action, students took the initiative to push for the formation of their team. In November, the team learned that they won their first struggle of the year, the administration hired a coach. Marcy Choi is proud of how our team has overcome the problems of the past few years, and how we have succeeded beyond our own expectations."

- Karen Choi.

DeCristofaro placed fifth.

"I'm proud of how our team has overcome the problems of the past few years, and how we have succeeded beyond our own expectations," said Senior Karen Choi.



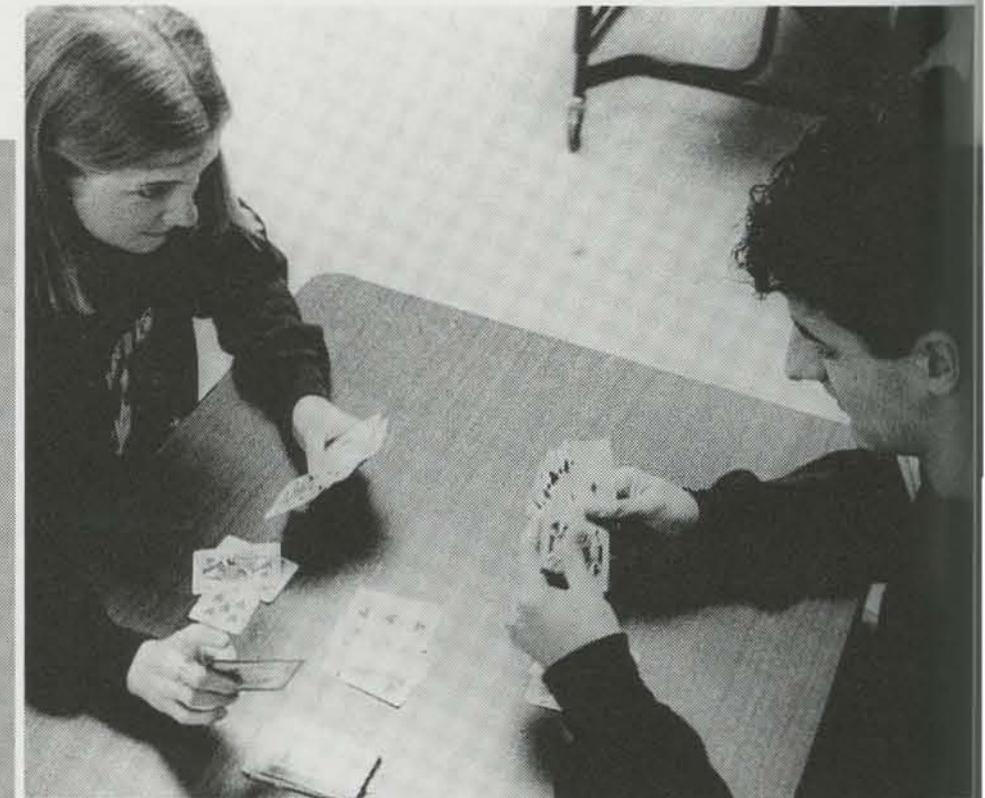
SPEECH TEAM

Row One: Ruby Khan, Toni DeCristofaro, Karen Choi. Not Pictured: Coach Marcy James, Matt Augsburger, and Katie Brokaw.



Above Right: To pass the time before final rounds are posted, senior Karen Choi reads a book. This is a common sight at any speech meet.

Right: A time-consuming activity for speech team is to play cards. Juniors Matt Augsburger and Katie Brokaw played a continuous game of hearts throughout the season. At last count, Katie was beating Matt by a lot!



A Rebuttal of Issues

Debate Strikes Back

By Toni DeCristofaro

The Debate team this year has successfully overcome the challenge of transitioning from policy debate to congressional debate.

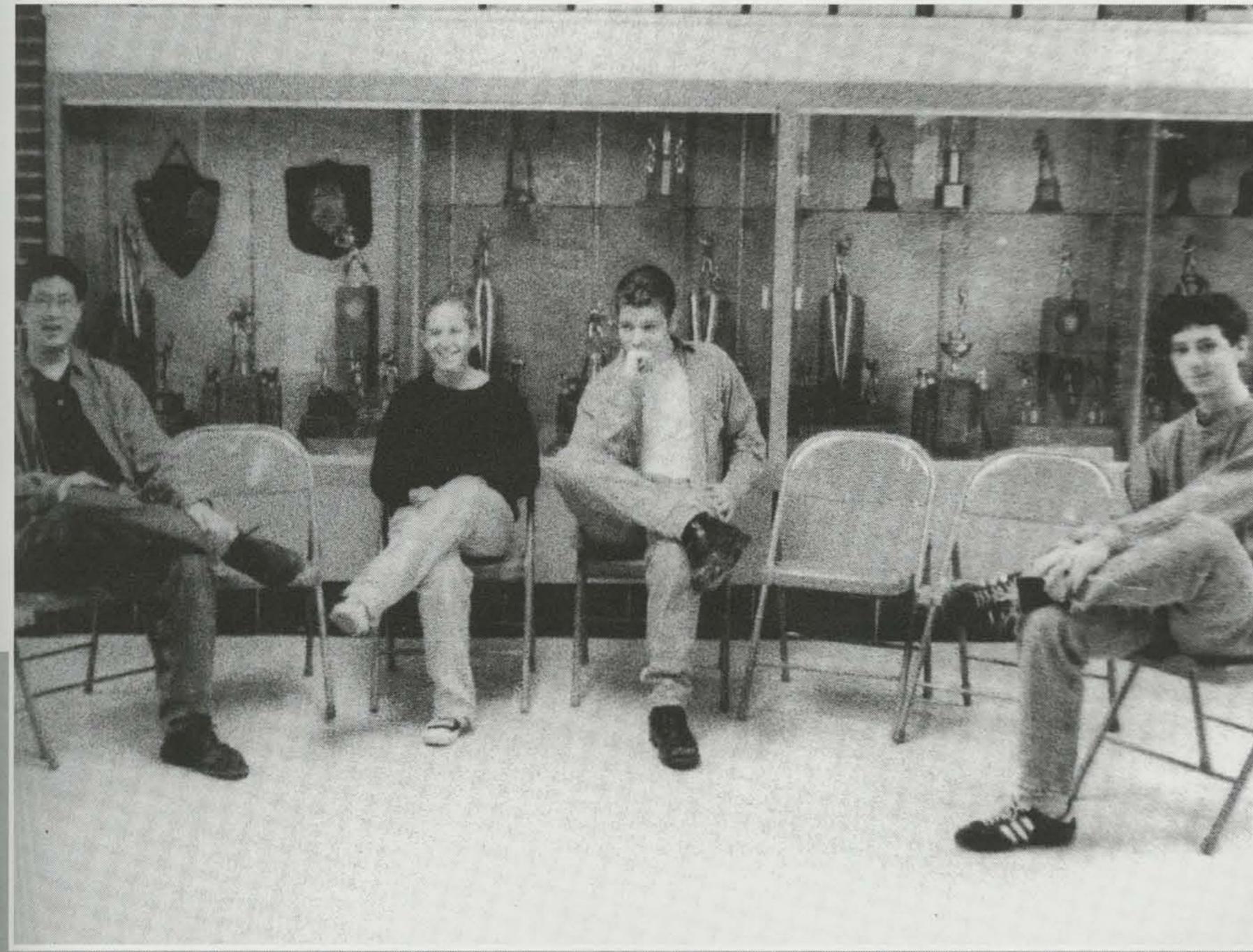
For years, the team has competed in policy debate tournaments, but this year decided to switch to congressional debate, which is the "fastest growing event of forensics in the state."

"of Illinois," said coach Robert Neuleib. These winners include Gary Thompson as Outstanding Speaker and Best Presiding Officer, Carroll Varner with the Critic's Choice Award, John Kim as Superior Speaker, and Jim Sallee as Superior Speaker as well.

Although Congressional Debate does not have a state competition, it does have the Illinois Congressional Debate Association in which the team competed. The debate team, which consists of seven members, saw four of them qualify for the championship level.

"My goal for the debate team this season, was to participate and learn. I had hoped for them to find out what it's all about."

-Robert Neuleib



DEBATE TEAM

Above: John Kim, Bridget Nord, Carroll Varner, and Jim Sallee. Not pictured: Coach Robert Neuleib, Gary Thompson, Aaron Loos, and Jake Olbert.



ART CLUB

Row One: Jenny Wojcik, John Stuckey, Trudi Schoening, Ryan Hoelting, Carroll Varner. Row Two: Andrea Steuck, Jim Sallee, Loren Wells, Katie Brokaw, Stacia Thetard, Nathan Bair, David Griffith, Kristy Ralston. Row Three: Lane Lampert, Aaron Leach, Nicholas Sorak, Bryson Englen, Erica Otto, Erin Nelson, Matt Schweitzer. Row Four: Joe Singer.



BIBLE STUDY

Row One: Amy VanCauwenberge. Row Two: Katie Brokaw, Bond Lamme, Julia Jarvis, Katie Foster, Becky Ifft, Jamie Lutes. Row Three: Ryne Grubar, Jay McCullough, Ben Miller, John Kim and Bryson Englen. Not Pictured: Amy Magarity



Reviving the Spirit

Art Club and Bible Study create a new atmosphere at U-High

By: Stephanie Kiesewetter



Never before in University High School's history has there been a club dedicated to the pursuit of studying biblical text, but that all came to an end in the fall of 1994. Kristy Bertolet, a 1995 graduate of U-High and Amy Magarity, who is now a junior, reached out to math teacher Barbara Bills, asking for assistance in starting a bible study. Bills agreed and U-High's Bible Study was born.

The separation of church and state prevents the club from accepting school funding and meeting during school hours.

The club allows Christian students to share their beliefs with other students like them. Meetings include a lesson read from the Bible and follow up discussions relating the story to the modern world. Sometimes refreshments are offered and music is played.

One event highlight's the year, "See You at the Pole." This event has world wide participants who celebrate the Christian faith by gathering at the flag pole to pray for their schools.

The group is successful in its goals, although there is only a small turnout of about eight people. "It's a lot of fun, we just need more people to come," said Katie Foster.



Art club spent the year completing many projects. They worked on several paintings to be mounted at the bases of each of the stairwells. Paintings include a Pioneer football a mural containing student interpretations of three famous paintings and the comedy-tragedy masks of theatre fame.

Completion of these painting required members to remain dedicated throughout the year. Scheduling made it difficult for some members to participate regularly, the club meets at 3:00 after school on Wednesdays which conflicts with other activities. However, students are welcome to come whenever they have the opportunity, that limits who can come to the club.

Some students only come a few times a year because that is all that they can afford. Kristy Ralston offered help between her hectic schedule, Ralston's theory, "At least I got to help a little bit."

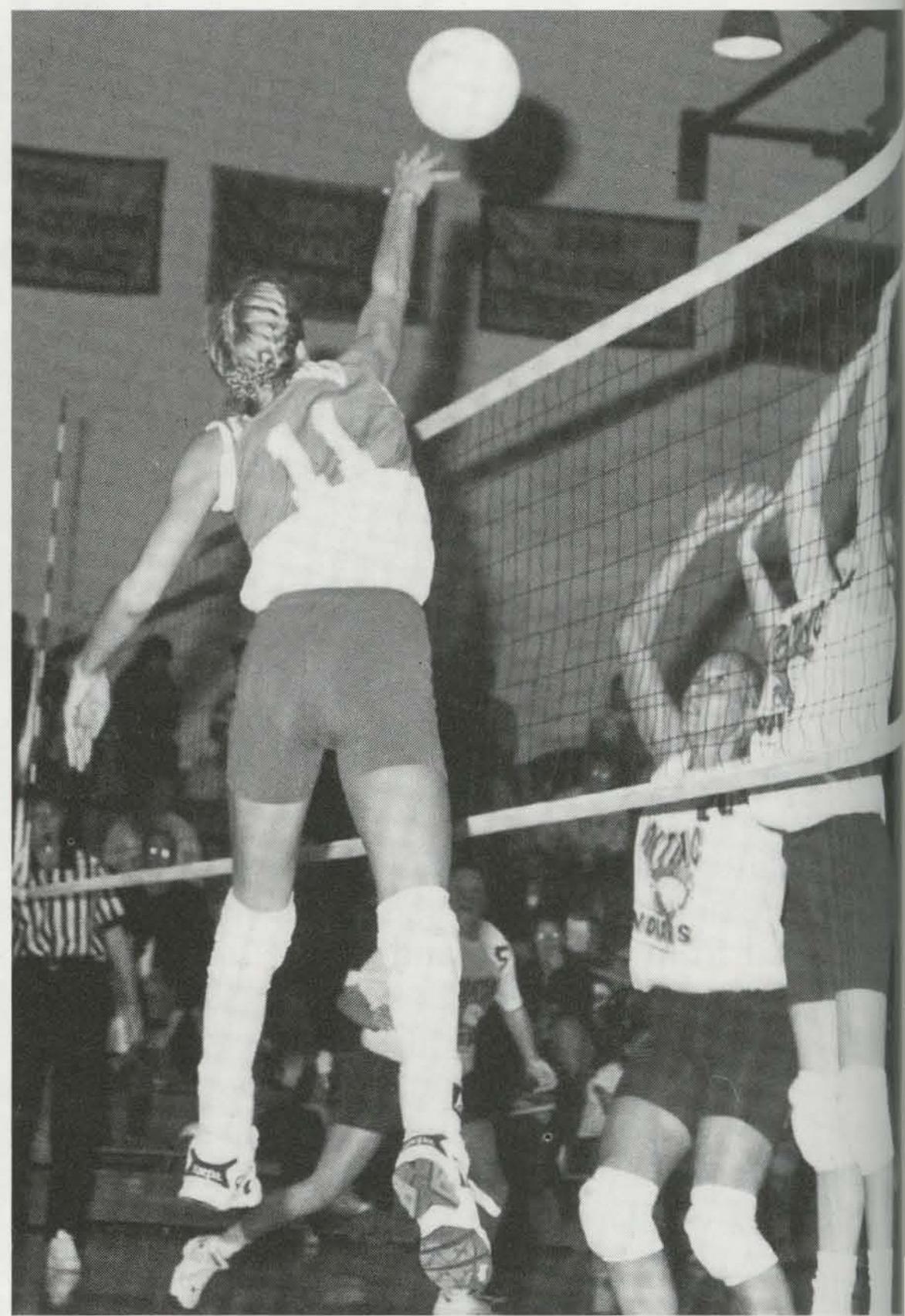
Art club is open to anyone with a creative flare and a drive to work hard.

Right: Kristy Ralston and Matt Schweitzer each working on a project that they will be put in their portfolio.

Below: Senior Chris Murphy easily dodges his opponents on the field making a great run with the ball. U-High defeated Prairie Central at the Homecoming game 41-12.



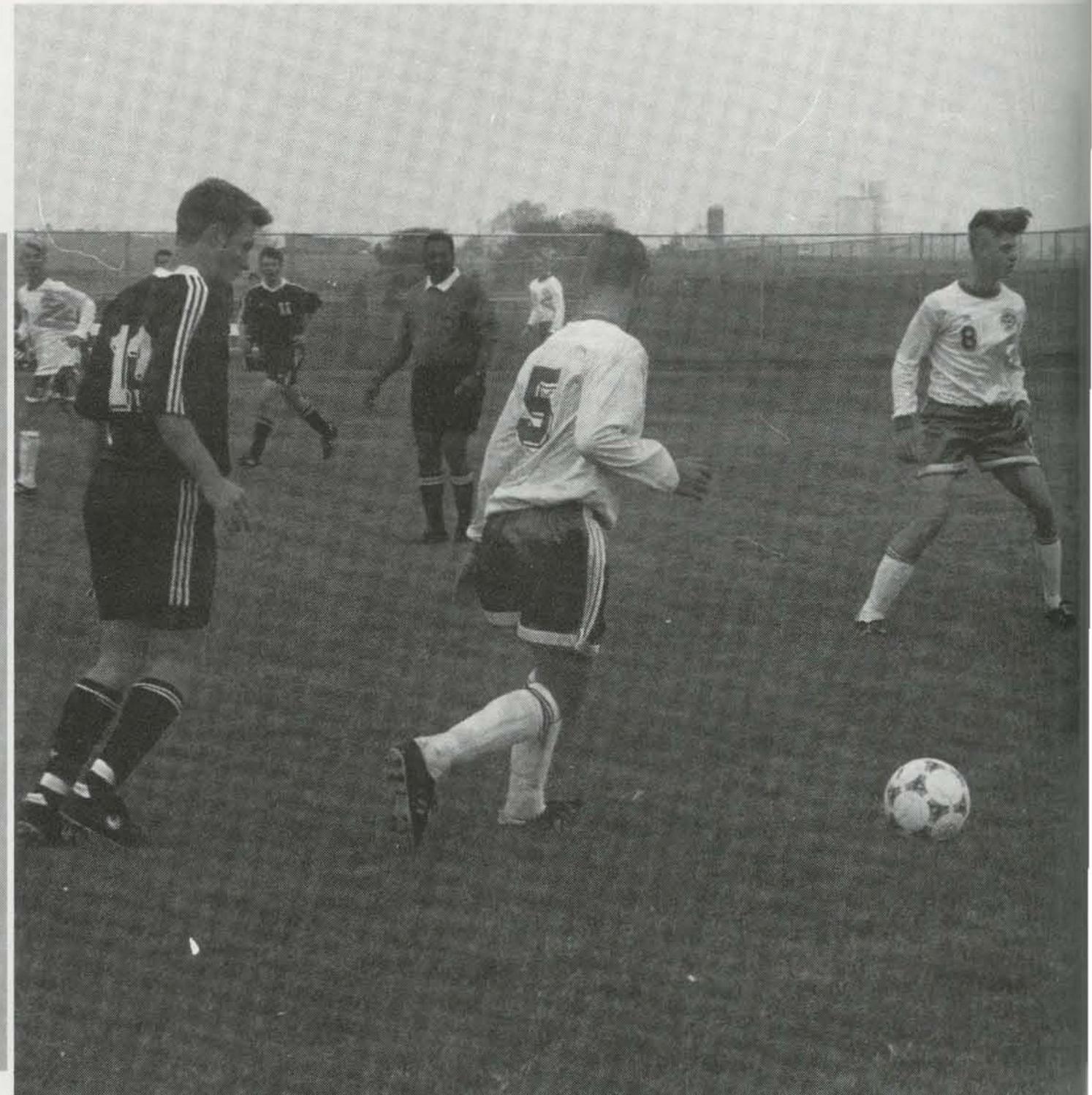
Below: Sophomore Heidi Kuethe reaches above the net to tip a ball over before an opponent could set up a block. U-High defeated Pontiac.



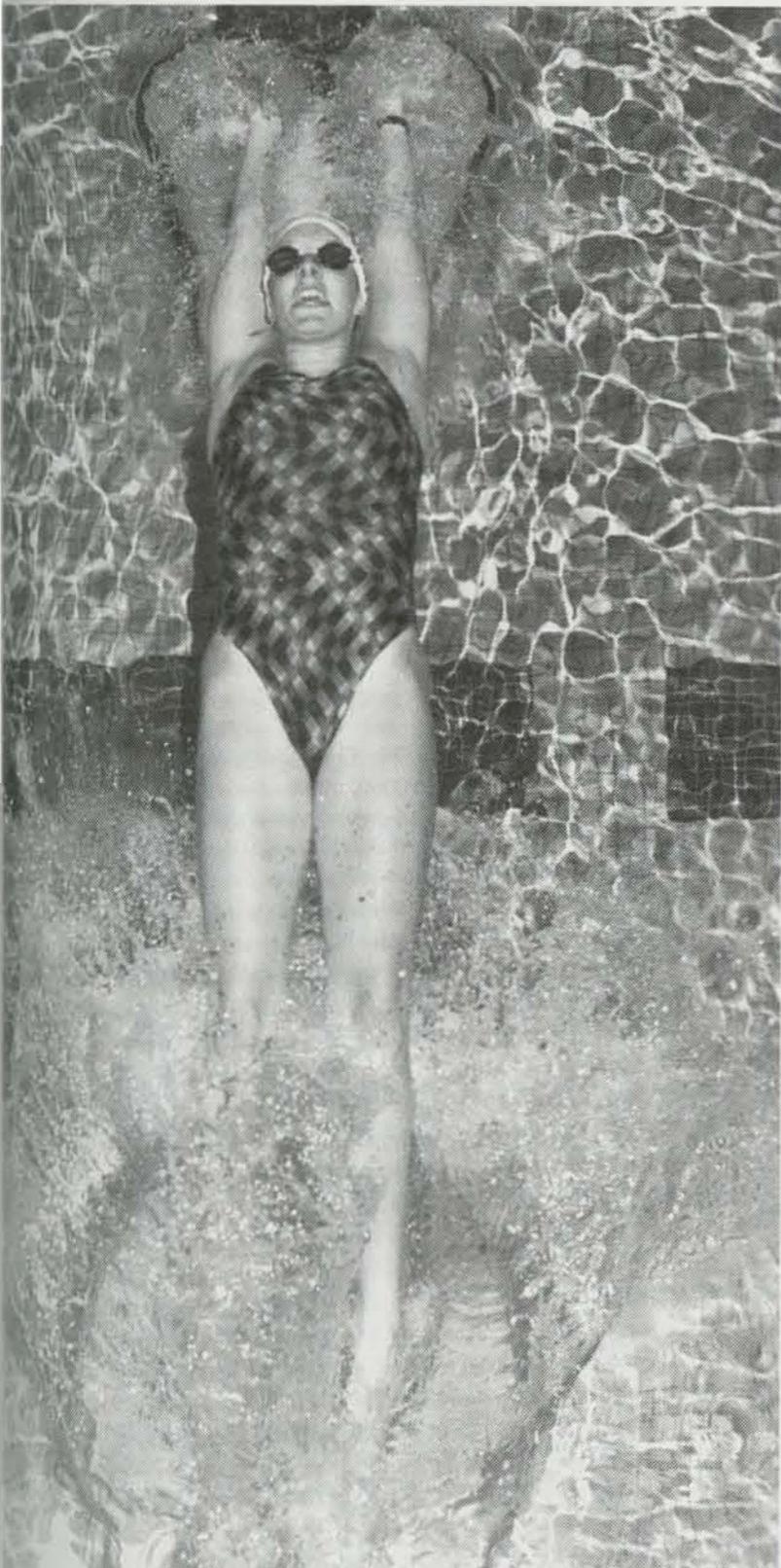
*"This fall sports season
was disappointing because
all of the teams had such
high expectations
and they didn't
achieve them"*

- Kristy Ralston

Right: Freshman Chase Hilgenbrinck dribbled the ball down the field past the opponent while teammate Alex Kowerko looks on.



Below: Freshman Betsy Barr takes a plunge into Horton Pool against Bloomington. U-High glided into their first meet victorious. The girls' swimming team is just one of the many great athletic teams that is available for students to participate in at U-High. Members of the swim team have made it to state each of the last four years.



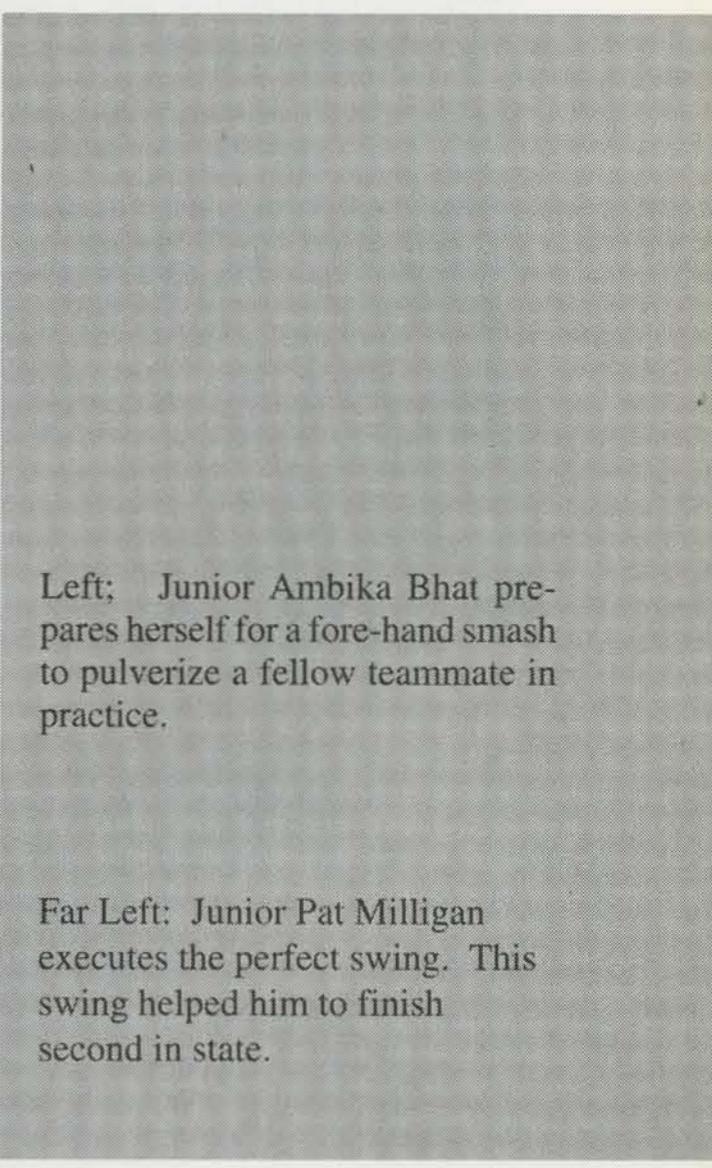
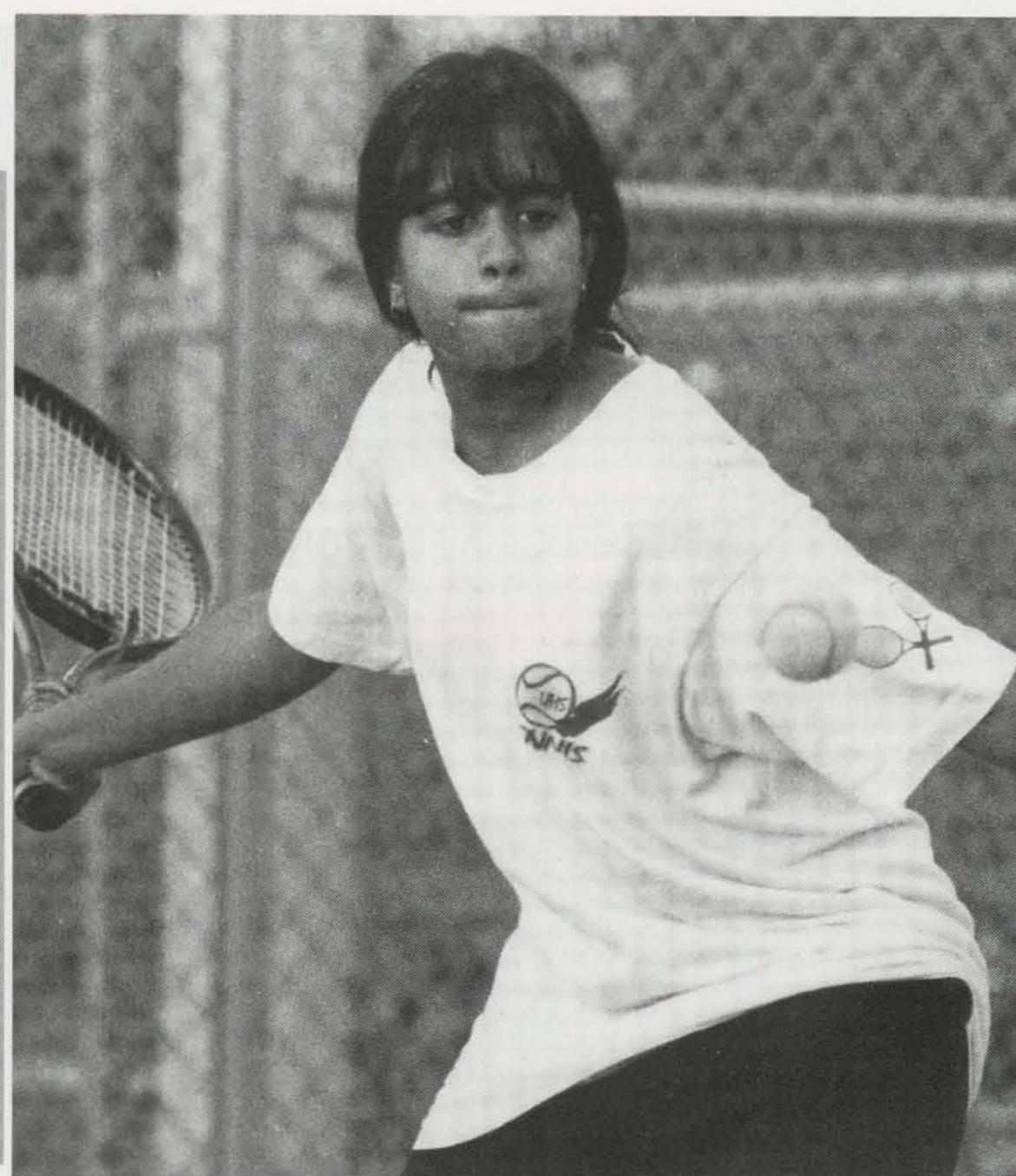
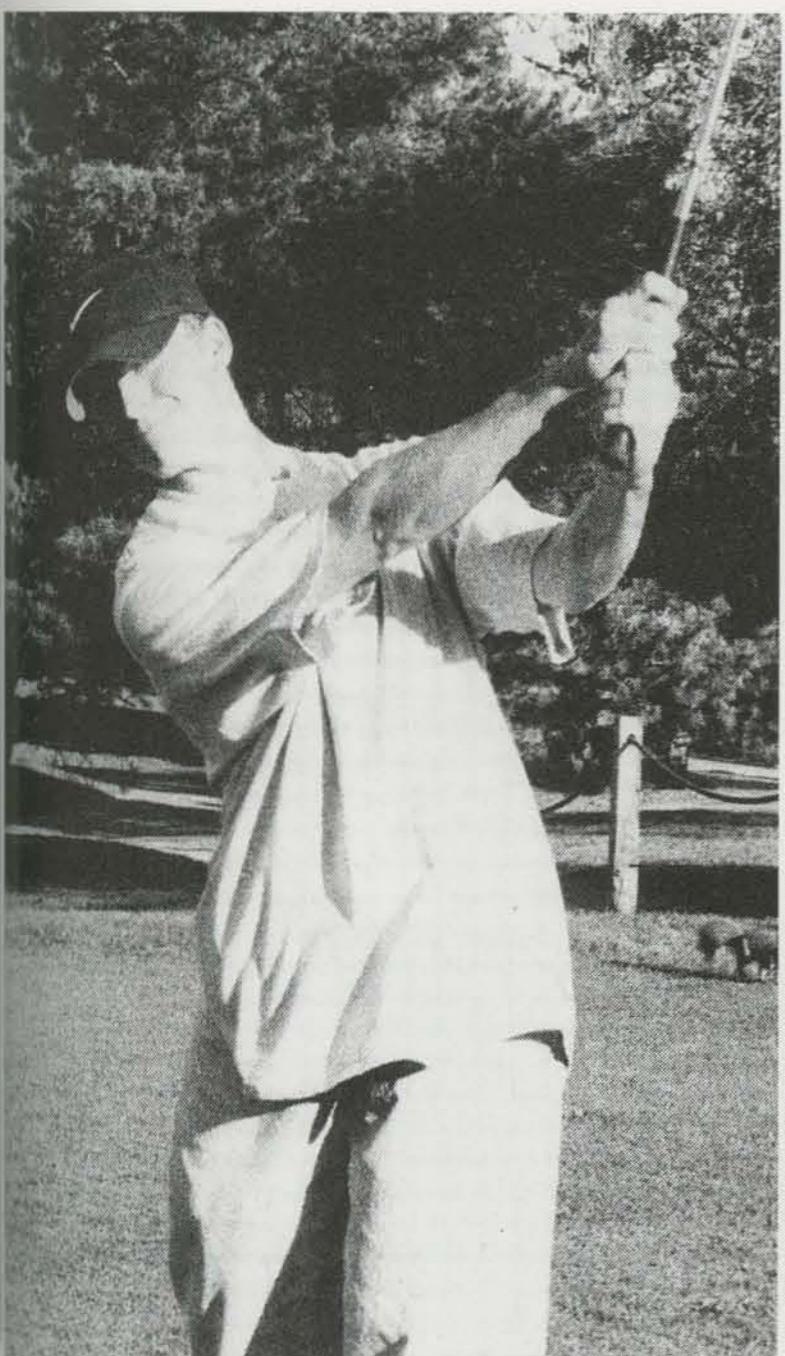
Replay the Season

Sports is a very important element in the extracurricular life of many U-High students. With choices ranging from swimming to baseball, basketball to track, almost everyone can find something to participate in.

Athletic teams at U-high are known for their championship stature. Our athletes are not taught just about winning. U-High coaches teach their athletes more than just the game, students also learn the importance of being a team, a skill that will last throughout their future careers.

Life skills are important in everything that is done here.

U-High fall sports had a successful season this year. Boys golf won state for the first time since 1991. Boys cross country won third in conference, while the girls cross country team was close behind by finishing fourth in conference. Volleyball suffered an upset during sectionals to Hartsburg-Emden. Football lost during first round of the playoffs. Despite some of these disappointing losses for different teams, they all came out winners in the fall sports season.



Left: Junior Ambika Bhat prepares herself for a fore-hand smash to pulverize a fellow teammate in practice.

Far Left: Junior Pat Milligan executes the perfect swing. This swing helped him to finish second in state.



VARSITY

First Row: Coach Elder, Luke Harding, Andy Rader, Danny Bradley, Chad Schulz, Adam Steuck, Chris Murphy, Brian Houghton, Michael Lockhart, Wade Kennedy, Coach Jones. Second Row: Coach Smid, Charlie Black, Tom Benjamin, Phillip Beccue, Paul Gebhardt, Calen Foster, Nick Smith, Jamie Bills, John Donovan, Wes Shinault, Joe Schmidt, Coach Miller, "Matt the Cat". Third Row: Brian Flynn, Brett Mapel, Ryan Felkamp, Ben Knapp, Pete Martin, Jason Halm, Joe Whitaker, Joel Searby, Brian Williams, Chris Schwatzrock, Brad Nichols, Blake Knapp. Not Pictured: Billy Elmore, E.J. Kelly, Max Marshall, Justin Penn.



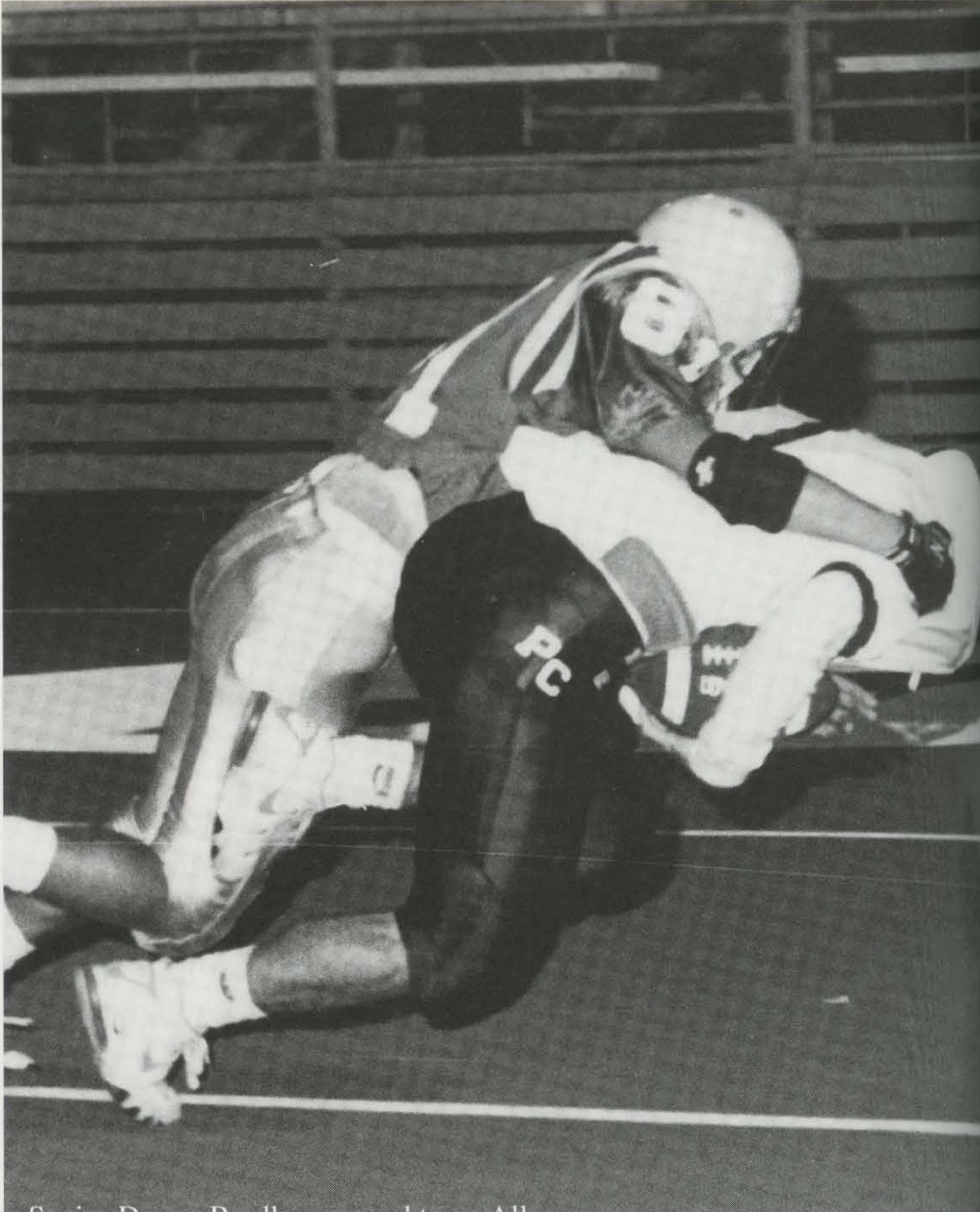
SOPHOMORES

First Row: Coach Elder, Charlie Black, E.J. Kelly, Eric Diaz, Brad Nichols, Gabe Weiss, Aaron Leach, John Lovelass, Coach Fillippini. Second Row: Coach Willis, Andrew Maxell, Pat Kelley, Blake Knapp, Luke Harding, Ryan Felkamp, Justin Smith, Mile Ducett, Coach Eric.



FRESHMAN

First Row: Tim Beccue, Rob Vesper, Jon Hand, Nathan Brent, Chris Pederson, Keith Middleton, Kiel Foster, Dan Cottone, Mark Pydnowski. Second Row: Tim Kramp, Neel Mookerjee, Mike Yeagle, Jeremy Fuson, Clint Mapel, Michah Baird, Ben Rhodes, Tyler Fritzen. Third Row: Coach Smith, Bret Swanson, Ty Lewis, Tom Menning, Nick Anderson, Tim Cicciu, Brian Schulz, Dan Lenart, Coach Gault. Not Pictured: Anthony Fulford.



Senior Danny Bradley, second team All-Conference defensive back, made a crucial defensive play just short of the U-High goal line.

SCOREBOARD

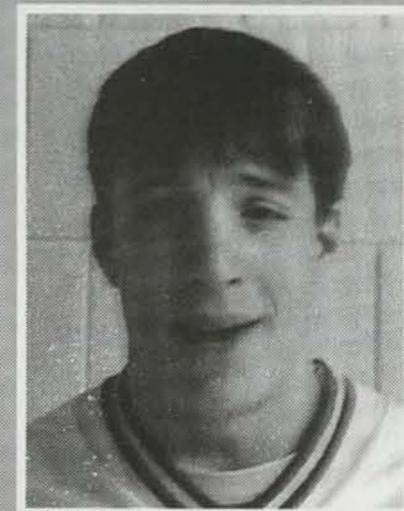
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| Oblong | 52 | 6 |
| Central Catholic | 18 | 7 |
| Pontiac | 12 | 16 |
| Mahomet | 33 | 0 |
| Bureau Valley | 19 | 13 |
| Olympia | 36 | 21 |
| Prairie Central | 41 | 14 |
| Dunlap | 49 | 0 |
| Momence | 43 | 6 |
| Marengo | 6 | 19 |

Football Review

*U-High retires
seniors with honors*

By Sarah Johnson

After defeating Intercity rival Central Catholic 18-7, junior offensive lineman Jason Halm, thought the 1996 varsity Football team could beat anyone. "It was definitely the high point of the season."

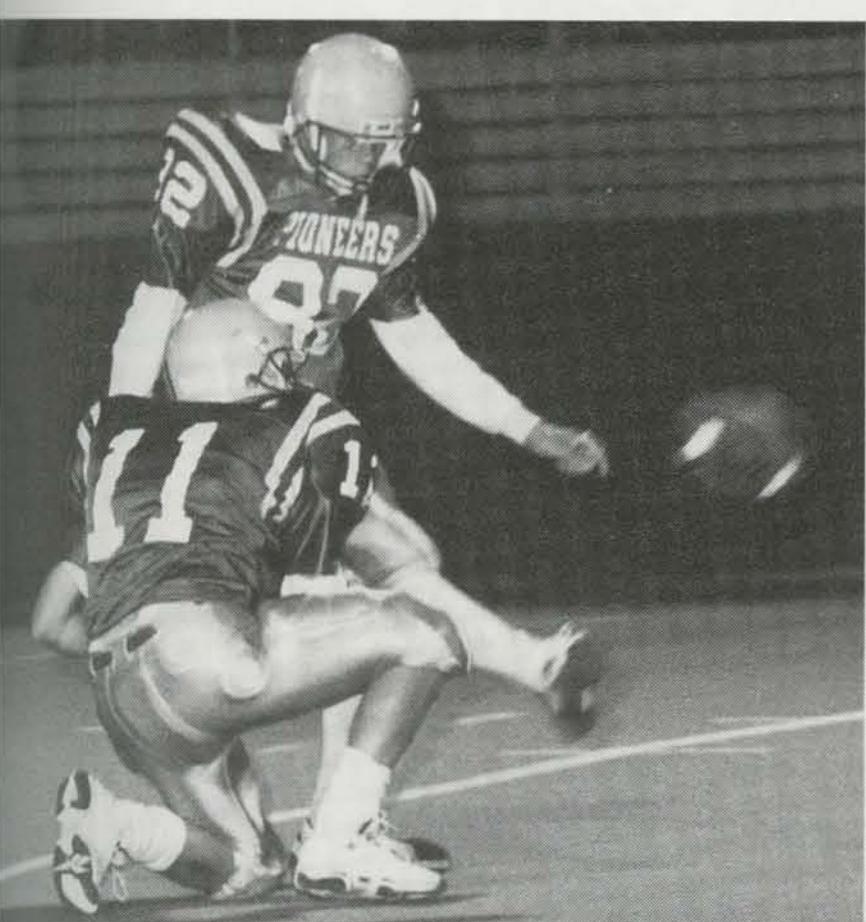


However, the varsity squad, coached by Dirk Smid, ended its season with an overall record of 8-2 after losing a heartbreaker to Marengo in the first round of the playoffs. The number six ranked Pioneers were led by co-captains Andy Rader and Chad Schulz. Andy Rader was voted Most Valuable Player by his teammates. Chad Schulz and Wade Kennedy were both named All-Conference, All-Area, and All-State. Andy Rader was named All-Conference and All-Area.

Senior tailback Chad Schulz used his quickness to maneuver around opposing defensive players. Schulz gained a total of 1515 yards for the Pioneers this season.

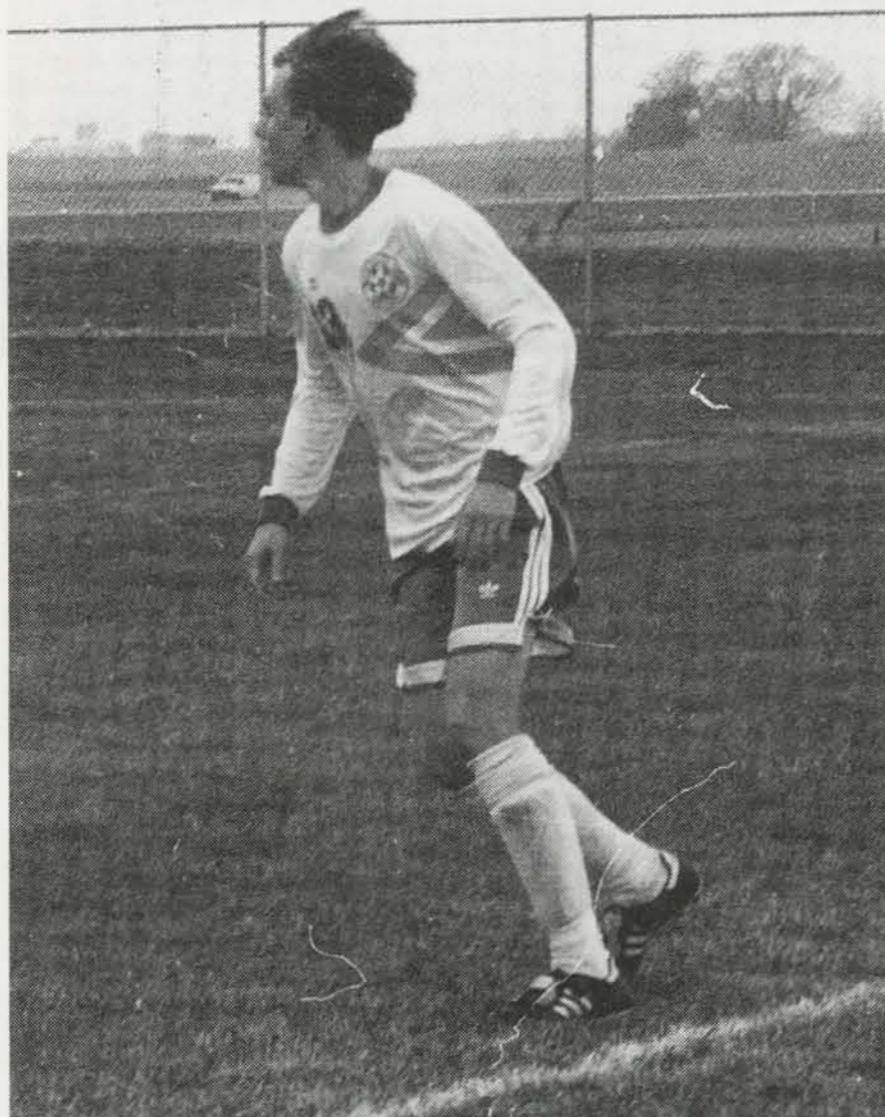


Above: Oblong tailback found no running room between four-year letterman Andy Rader, three-year letterman Wade Kennedy and first-year letterman Justin Penn.



Above: Senior extra point kicker Brian Houghton successfully completed a field goal in the homecoming game. Junior holder Jack Smith looked on.

Below: Junior Aaron Bareither awaits a pass from his teammates. "It was a great season and I'm proud to be a part of the team," said Bareither. He is one of nine letter winners returning next year.



Below: Freshman Chase Hilgenbrinck, battles past two Urbana defenders. The Pioneers defeated Urbana for Regional title. Hilgenbrinck was one of two freshman to dress varsity this year.



Above: Senior Tony Niebur, relaxes in the lounge and displays his new cast. Niebur broke his leg in a game against Normal West early in the year and was forced to sit out the rest of the season. His injury was one of the more serious injuries on the team.

SCOREBOARD

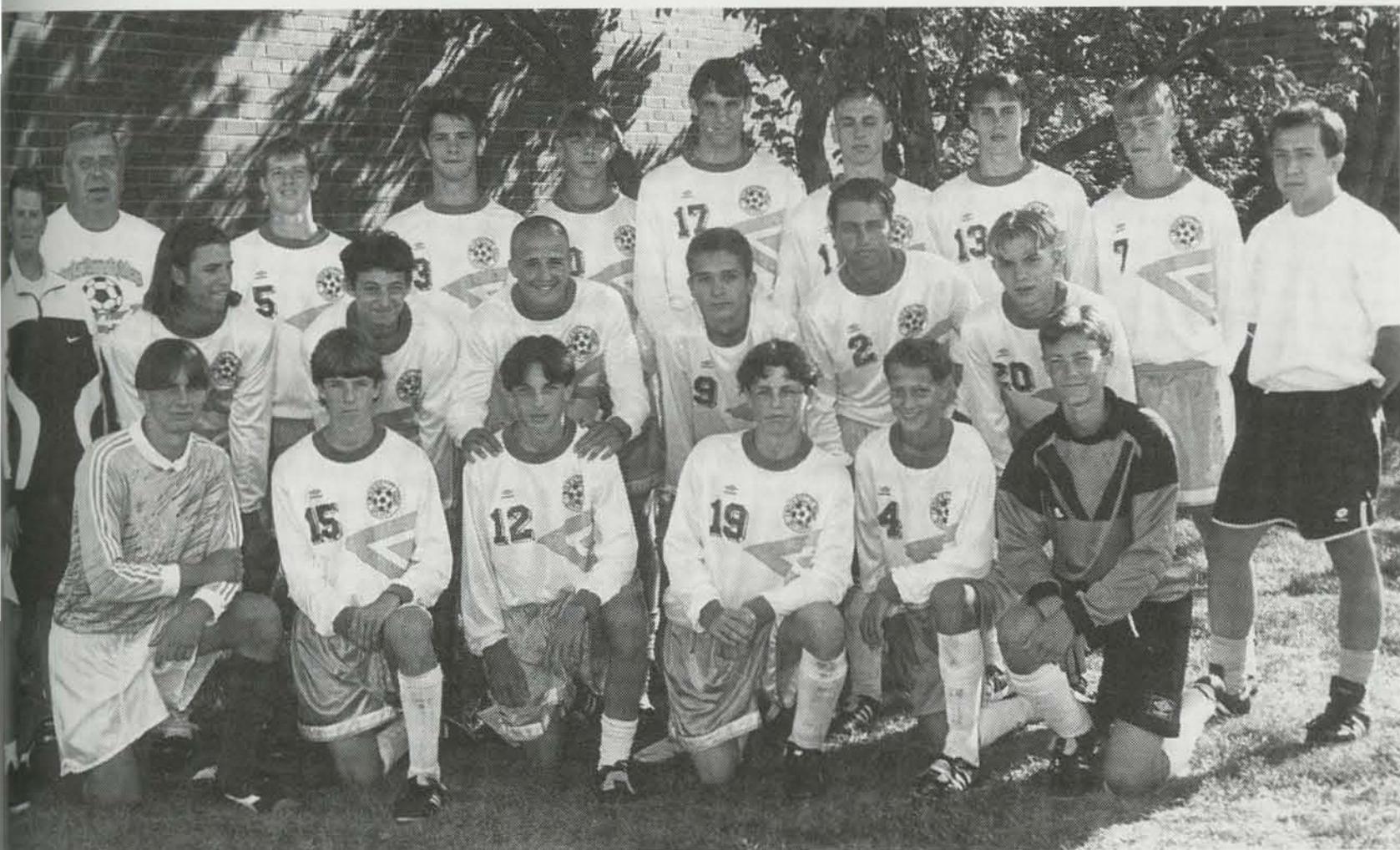
| Game | U-High | Opponent |
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| Dunlap | 4 | 0 |
| NCHS | 3 | 0 |
| Jacksonville | 2 | 1 |
| Limestone | 11 | 1 |
| D-Mac | 5 | 0 |
| Peoria Christian | 3 | 0 |
| Morton | 4 | 0 |
| NCWHS | 4 | 1 |
| Decatur Eisenhower | 4 | 1 |
| East Moline | 1 | 1 |
| Champaign Central | 1 | 0 |
| Chatham | 3 | 0 |
| NCHS | 1 | 0 |
| Springfield | 1 | 1 |
| Bloomington | 5 | 0 |
| Williamsville | 3 | 0 |
| Washington | 3 | 0 |

Post Season

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|--------------|---|---|
| D-Mac | 3 | 0 |
| Urbana | 2 | 0 |
| NCHS | 2 | 1 |
| BHS | 4 | 1 |
| Moline | 4 | 2 |
| Collinsville | 1 | 2 |

JUNIOR VARSITY

Row one: Ryan Ash, Jeff Bertolet, Joe Singer, Tony Nelson, Tyler Fritzen, Paul Drinan. Row two: Asst. Coach Brandon Adkins, Jake Walgren, Jim Sallee, Tony Niebur, Andy Cunningham, Mike Nelson, Mark Katz. Row three: Head Coach Bodo Fritzen, John Allen, Ryan Hoelting, Alex Kowerko, Kevin Jones, Jeremy Stanton, Aaron Bareither, Kyle Labounty, Asst. Coach Scott Froelich.



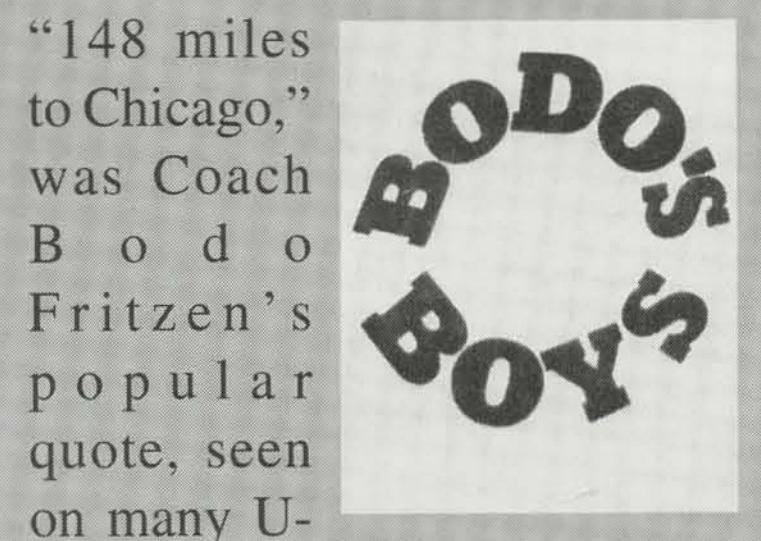
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Relive the Goal

U-High boys are top
eight in state

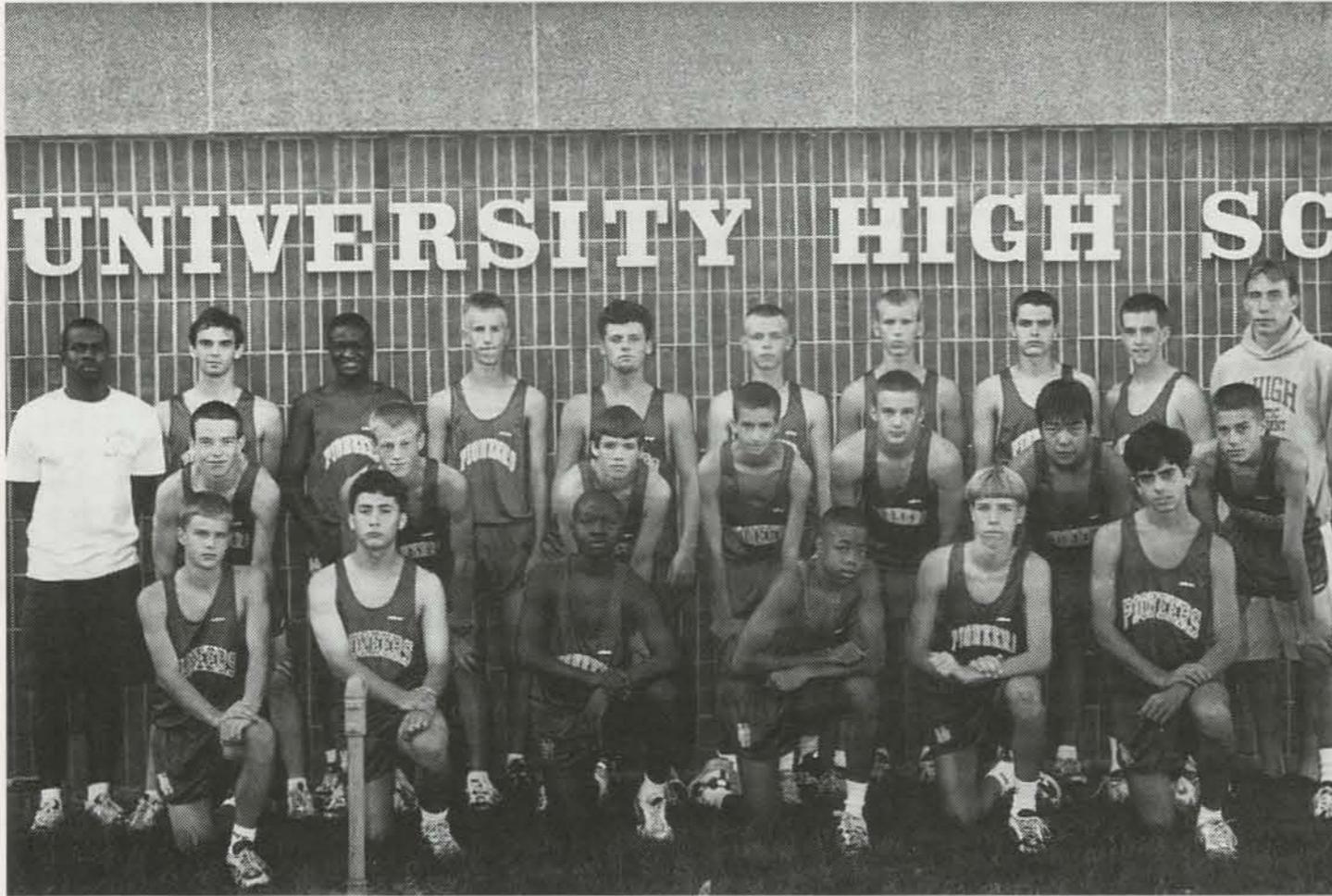
By Lacey Shirk



"148 miles to Chicago," was Coach Bodo Fritzen's popular quote, seen on many U-High soccer players' t-shirts along with a picture of their beloved teacher and the team's nickname, "Bodo's Boys." Since the beginning of the season the team's goal was to travel those 148 miles to St. Charles, IL for the IHSA State Soccer Tournament. The goal was accomplished and they became the first team in both school and intercity history to make an appearance at state. U-High finished its season 20-1-2 with its only loss coming in the quarterfinals of the tournament to Collinsville. Fritzen was one of three finalists for Coach of the Year, sophomore Alex Kowerko was named All-Sectional, and senior Jeremy Stanton was named All-Midwest, along with finishing his high school career sixth in the state for scoring. According to senior Tony Niebur, "Out of my four years of playing soccer, this year's team is by far the best I've ever seen."

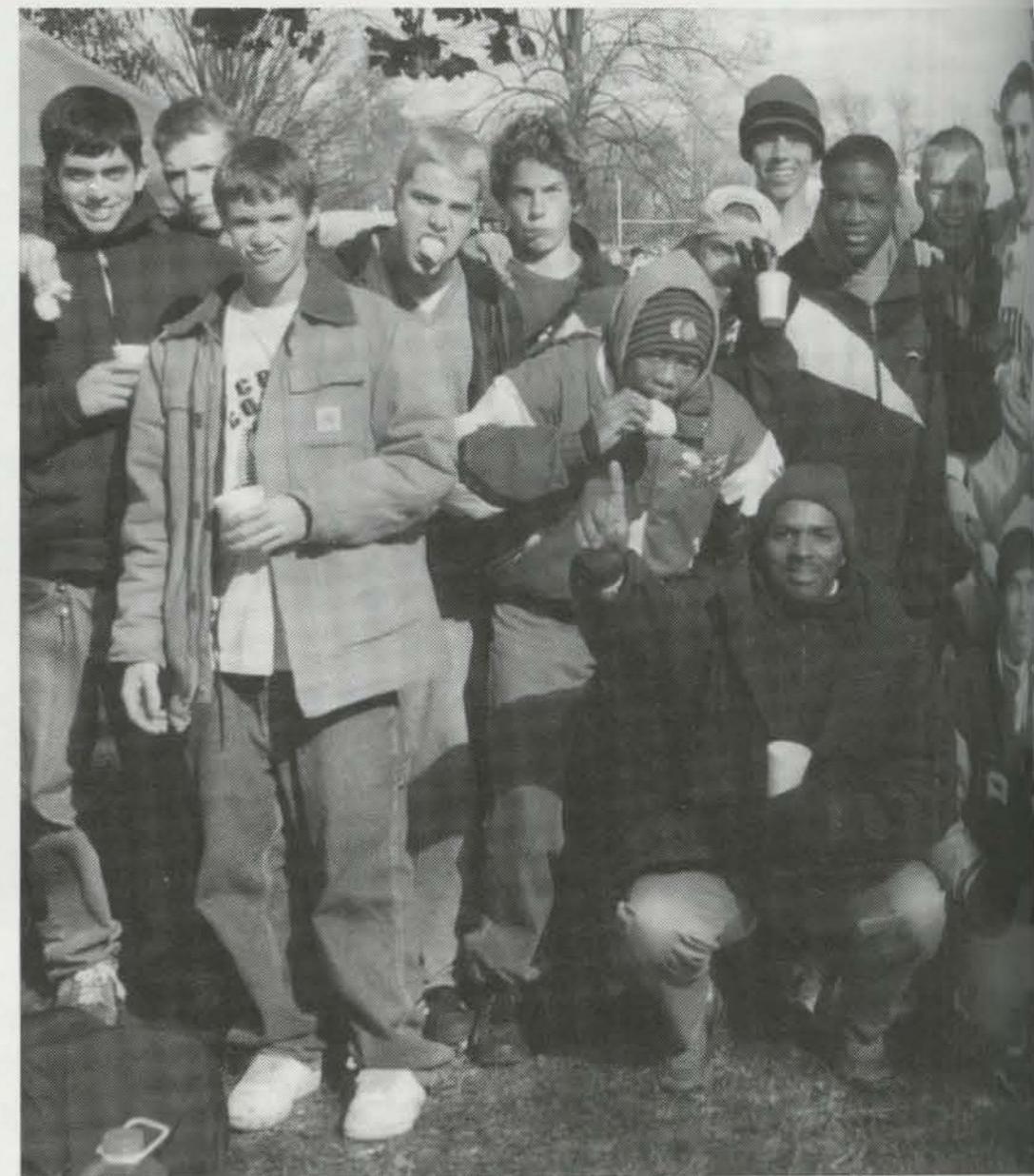
SCOREBOARD

| MEET | PLACING | MEET | PLACING |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Delavan, Tremont, Midwest Central | 1st | Springfield Inv. | 9th |
| Peoria Woodruff | 11th | Springfield Inv. F/S | 9th |
| Peoria Woodruff F/S | 12th | U-High Inv | 3rd |
| Prairie Central, Mahomet, Manteno | 3rd | Mahomet Seymour Inv. | 3rd |
| Notre Dame | 26th | Conference | 3rd |
| Notre Dame | 18th | Regional | 2nd |
| Intercity | 3rd | Sectional | 7th |



BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

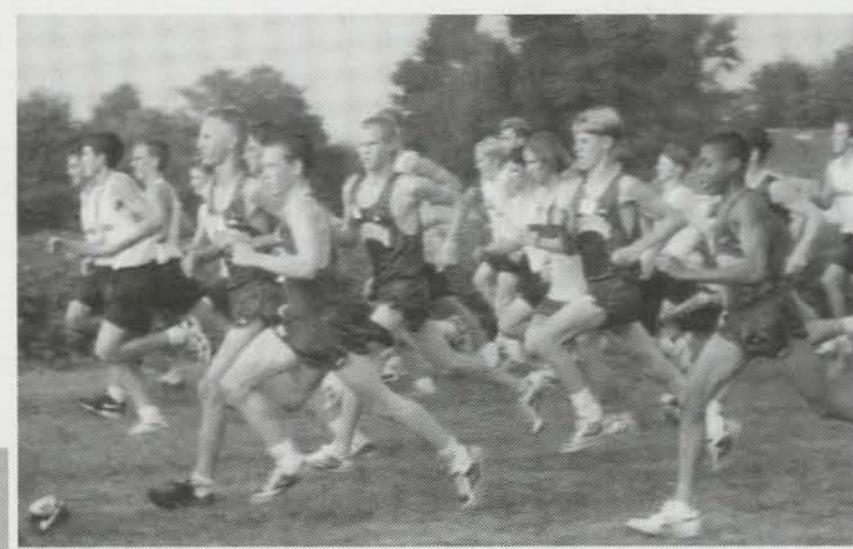
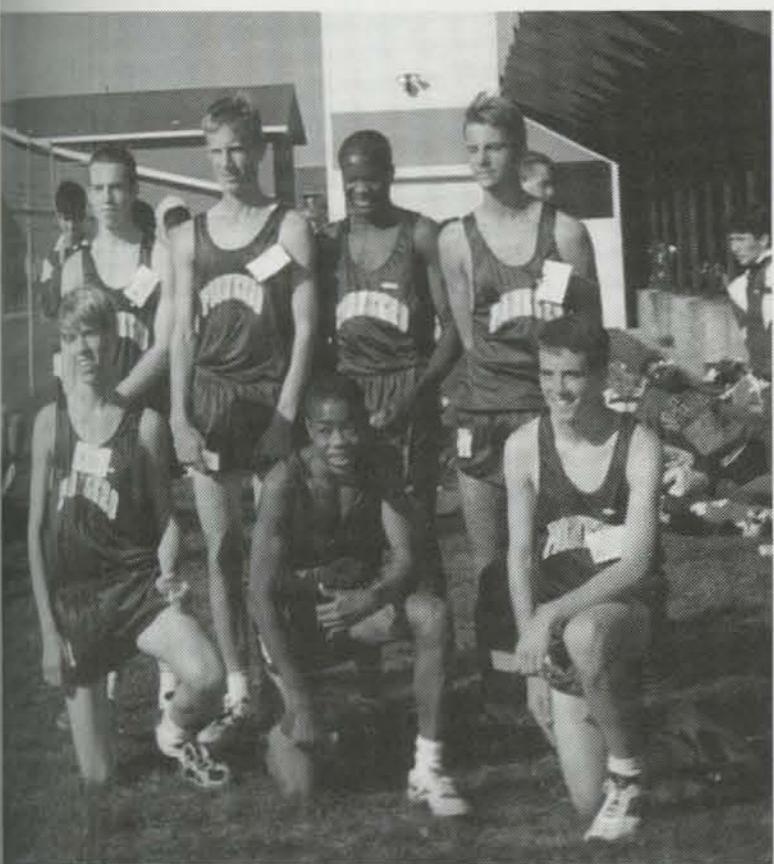
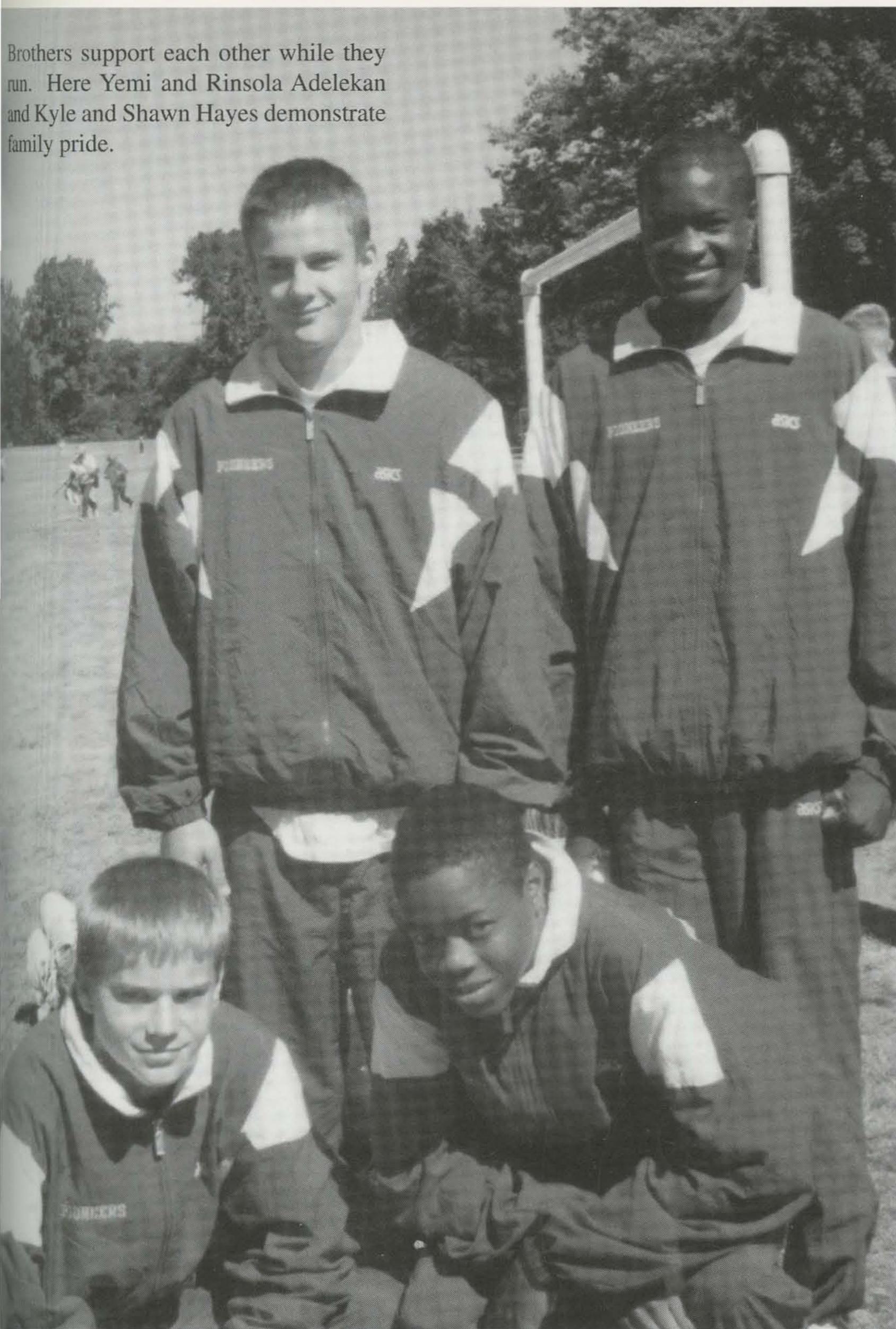
Row one: Shawn Hays, Dave Mangeras, Issac Simpson, Yemi Adelekan, Gabe Hamer, Travis Kearney. Row two: Vince Barrows, Joe Kramp, John Stuckey, Joe Cox, Kyle Hayes, Peter Stroyen, Matt Stazinski. Row three: Coach Lester Hampton, Mike Toepke, Rinsola Adelekan, Justin Filipiak, Mike Hermes, Bryan Corbitt, Nathan Bair, Zach Blick, Kyle Jackson and Coach Port.



Above: A mixture of boy's and girl's cross country runners huddle together during a meet to show support of each other.

Right: Runners Gabe Hamer, Yemi Adelekan, Kyle Jackson, Vince Barrows, Justin Filipiak, Rinsola Adelekan, and Brandon Fifer prepare for the Mahomet Seymour Invitational.

Brothers support each other while they run. Here Yemi and Rinsola Adelekan and Kyle and Shawn Hayes demonstrate family pride.



Above: A group of runners moves up in the pack at a U-High cross country meet.

Retrace Your Steps

Boys cross country team finishes up building year.

By Nathan Turnis

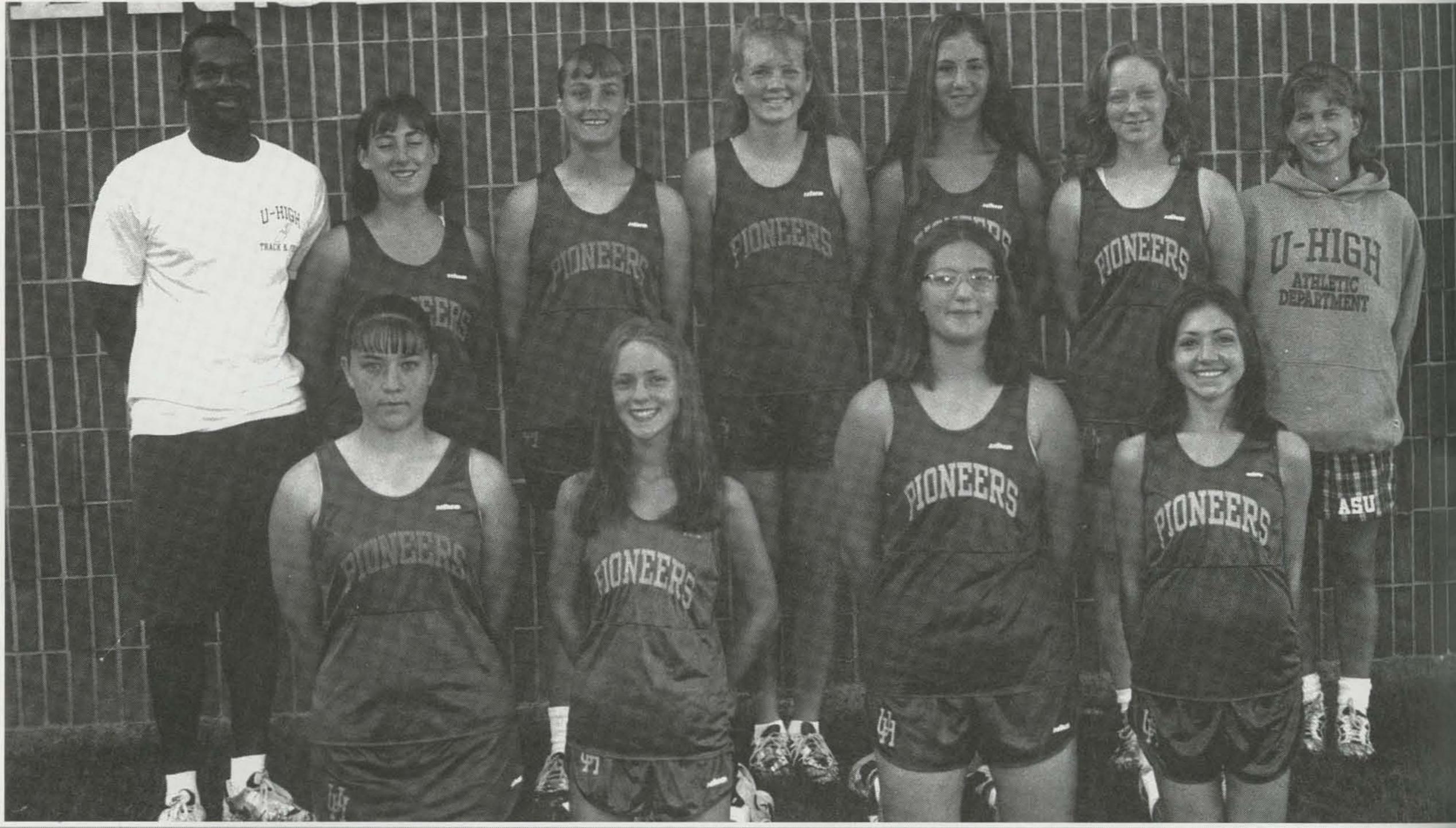
Over the years, the U-High's boys' cross country team has achieved a lot, constantly proving that they are a team of champions. After the graduation of several of the team's pillars the 1996 team had to build their own pillars this season. This year's team had many obstacles to overcome, and along with their coaches they worked to succeed.

One of the obstacles they met involved the team's lack of experience. The team was young and included many first-time members. The team didn't let the lack of experience bring them down. Senior member Rinsola Adelekan recognized this year as being as important as any other. "We didn't do quite as well as in the past, but this year was a building year," Adelekan said.

Although the team was young, they still had many accomplishments and had much to be proud of. "Hopefully we will be able to build back up in the future," said Coach Hampton. The team seems ready to step up to the next level.

Right: Some of the girl's cross country team took a moment to celebrate with their banner and show their pride.

Below: Jill Donovan pushes through Dotwiliar park at the Notre Dame invitational with some of her peers.



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Row One: Courtney Mapes, Emily Brooks, Amy Varda, Sarah Thomason

Amber Cortese, Julia Jarvis, Assistant Coach Melissa Washburn. Not Pictured: Melanie Shinault

Row Two: Coach Lester Hampton, Jill Donovan, Shelley Oliver, Nicole Swan

Below: The boy's and girl's teams warm up by socializing before a meet at Dotwialiar Park. The team had to spend the season building strength.



Score Board

| MEET | PLACING |
|--------------------|---------|
| Delavan | 2nd |
| Peoria Woodruff | 8th |
| Peoria Central | 3rd |
| Intercity | 4th |
| Springfield Invite | 16th |
| U-High Invite. | 3rd |
| Conference | 4th |
| Regionals | 2nd |
| Sectionals | 12th |



Sarah Thomason and Jill Donovan turn a corner as Amber Cortese looks on at the first meet at Delevan.

Girl's Cross Country Rebuilds

Runner's After More Than

Victory

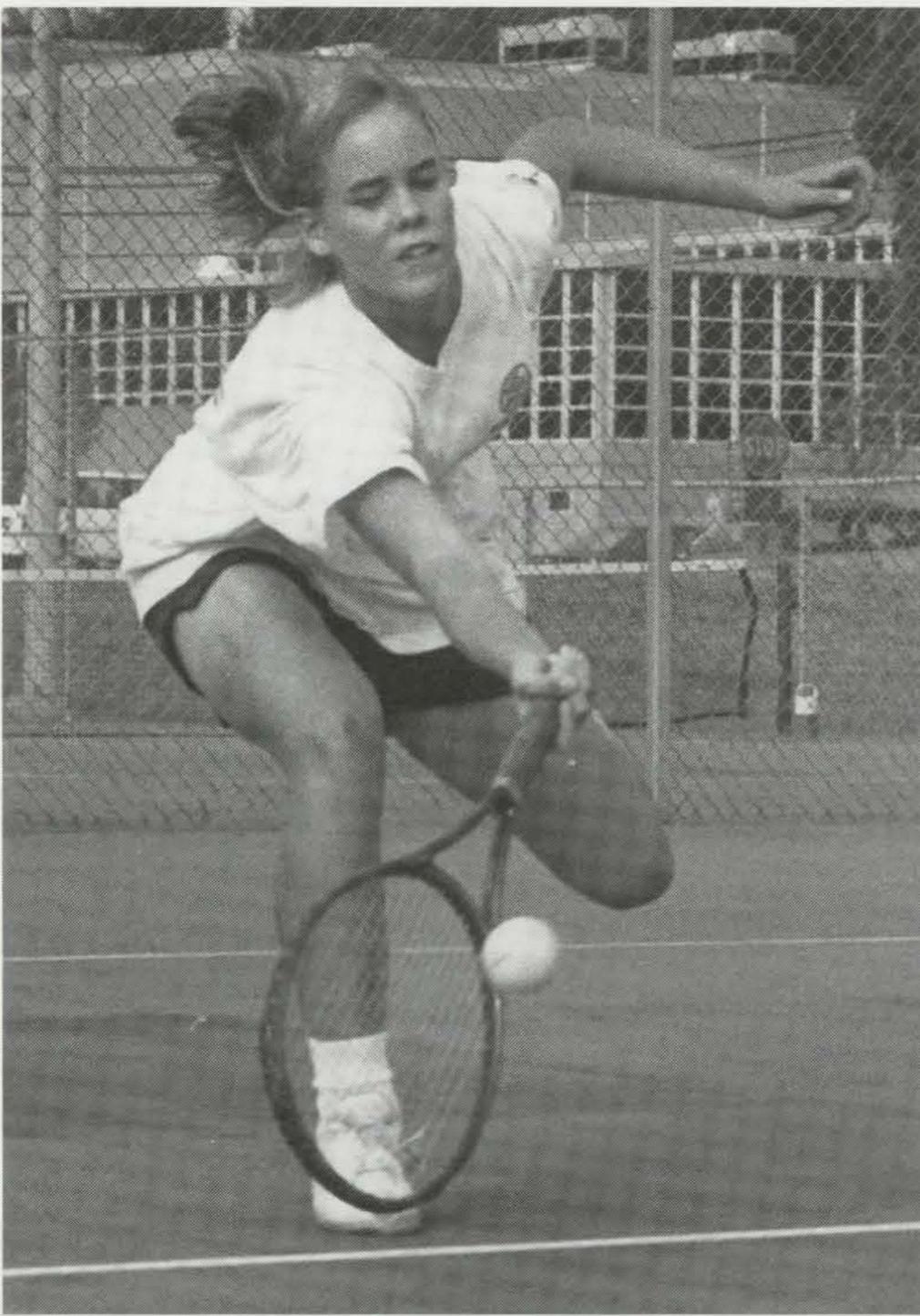
By Molly Archer

The 1996 season was a wonderful one for the girl's cross country team, who found their way to sectionals. The team was dominated by six seniors and rounded out by one junior, two sophomores, and one freshman rounded out the team.

The team placed in the top ten at six of their ten meets. "Although we started off slow, as the season progressed, we got better and faster. We ended with a pretty good season overall," said senior and letter winner Jill Donovan.

Like the boys, the girls concentrated on building a more solid foundation this year. "We didn't do as well as we wanted to," said sophomore Amy Varda. "But we did as well as we could."

Girls Tennis: Row One: Alex O'Neil, Jenny Mangina, Christine Yee, Jillian Cogan, Ambika Bhat, Jenelle Rayford, Susan Grotbo. Row Two: Tina Yang, Rebecca Garrett, Lindsey O'Neil, Emily Yee, Lynda Ken, Agnieszka Stadnik, Lorelei Penn. Row Three: Assistant Coach Jon Michaels, Laura Truttman, Alyssa Jennings, Lacey Shirk, Beth Skolmoski, Elizabeth Eyenatten, Coach Matt Reynolds.



Above: Junior varsity player Laura Truttman lunges for a forehand winner during her number three singles match at U-High.

SCOREBOARD

| | |
|-----------------------|------|
| Peoria Notre Dame | L |
| Normal West | W |
| Dunlap | L |
| Metamora | W |
| B.H.S. Invitational | 11th |
| Pontiac | W |
| Springfield High | L |
| B.H.S. Tourney | 11th |
| St. Teresa | W |
| Belleville E. Tourney | 7th |
| Morton | W |
| B.H.S. Tourney | 10th |
| B.C.C. Tourney | 2nd |
| Sectionals | 2nd |

Right: Senior Alyssa Jennings keeps her eye on the ball as she runs down a backhand. Jennings played number four singles.

Rebuilding Toward Victory

*Girls Tennis Serves
Another Winning
Season*

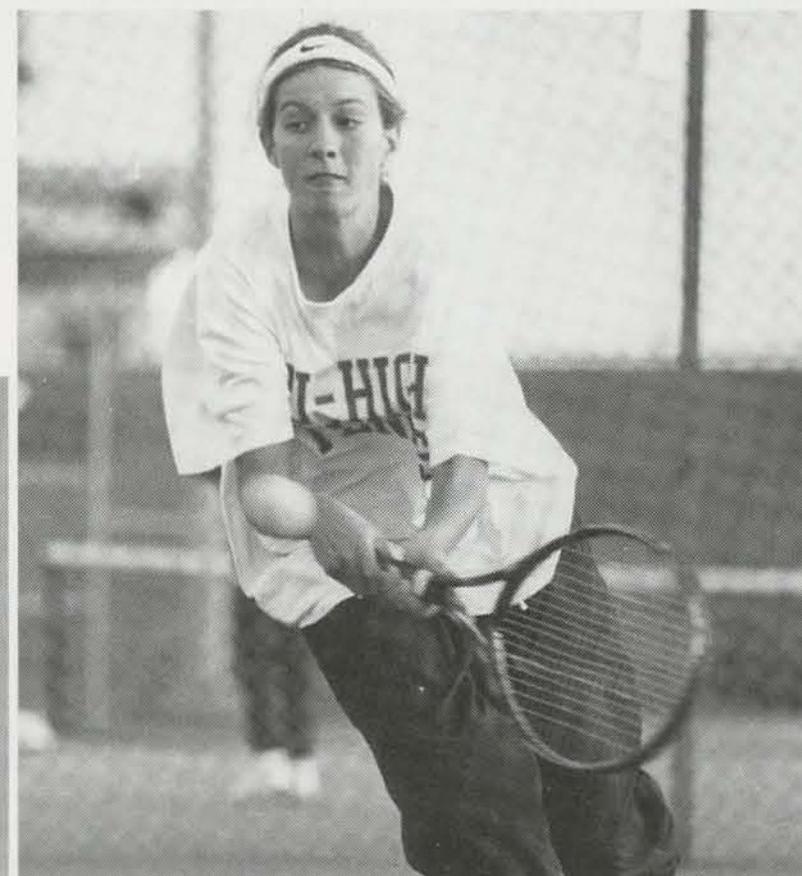
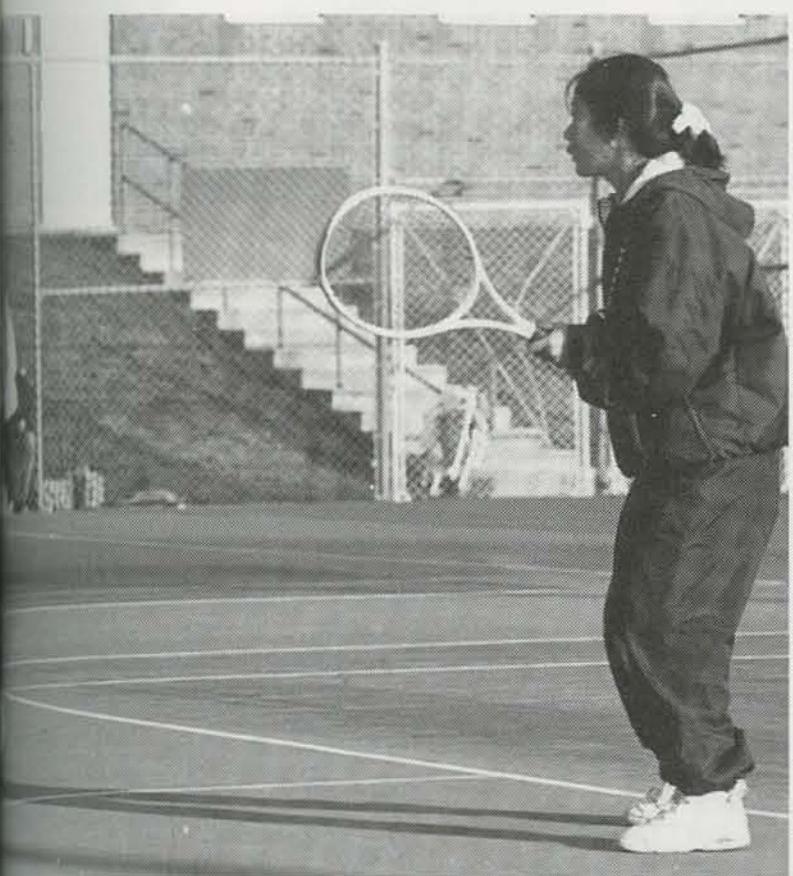
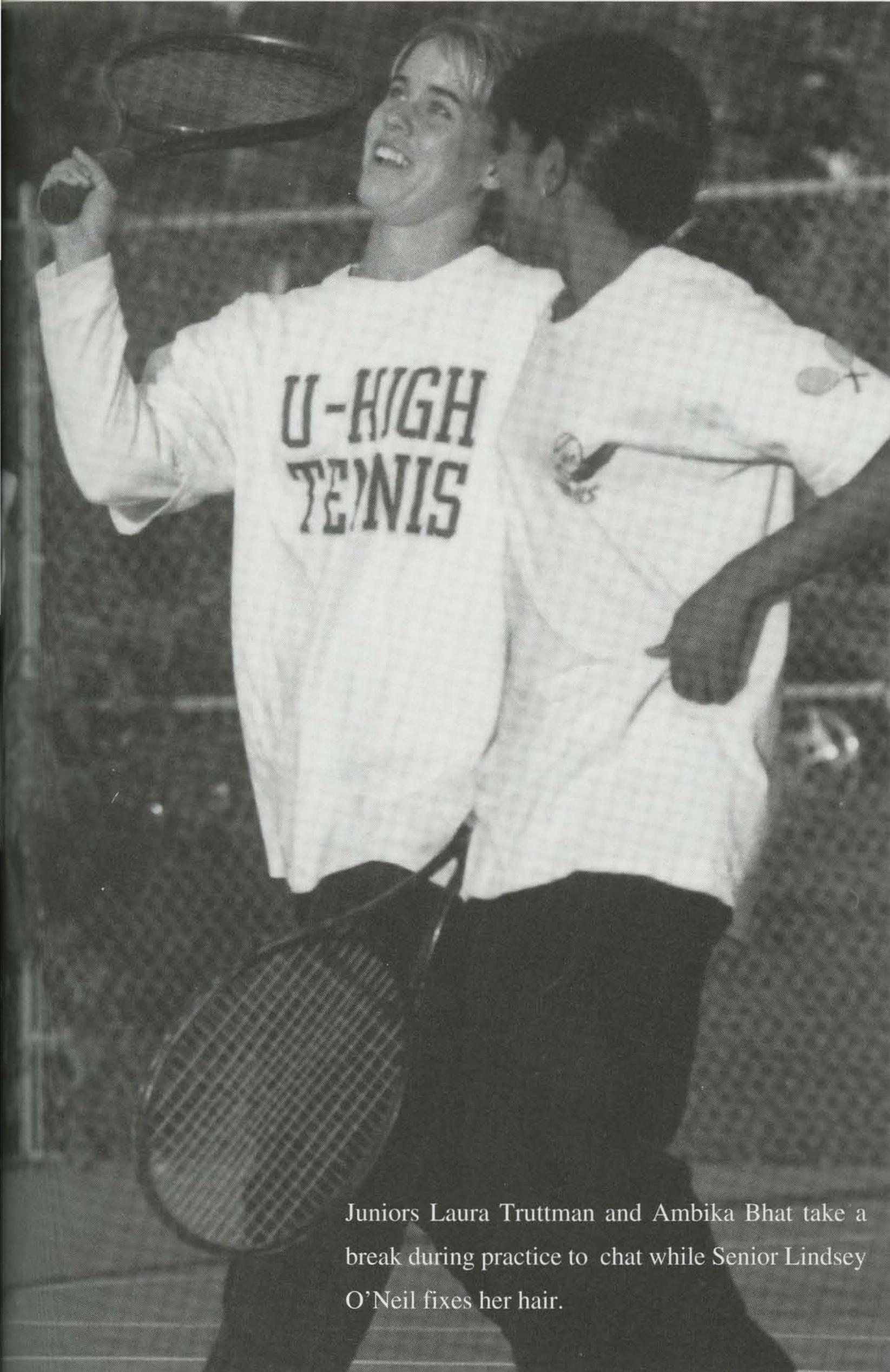
By John Kim

The Lady Pioneers started the season sluggishly, but quickly bounced back for a strong finish.



The team lost half of the varsity to graduation, but was still able to return victory after victory. "Considering the loss of seniors, we did well, with J.V. players stepping up," said junior Ambika Bhat. This was the first year that coach Matt Reynolds did not go undefeated. "We had a rocky start, but as the season progressed, we all improved and were able to compete with anybody," said Reynolds. The doubles team of junior Laura Truttman and sophomore Jenny Mangina won the sectional title and placed in the top 48 in state. Bhat was also a state qualifier. This year's captains were seniors Alyssa Jennings and Lindsey O'Neil. O'Neil was also voted the most improved player. This year's M.V.P. was Laura Truttman. The overall varsity record was 6-3 and the overall J.V. record was 5-2.

Juniors Laura Truttman and Ambika Bhat take a break during practice to chat while Senior Lindsey O'Neil fixes her hair.



Left: Senior Emily Yee concentrates on a volley as doubles partner sophomore Christine Yee looks on. The Yee sisters were a strong force as a double team.

VARSITY

Row One: Kristy Ralston, Kristi Witherow, Jenny Rohren. Row Two: Jody Naffziger, Erin O'Connor, Kim Bradshaw. Row Three: Mandy Tucker, Joanie Gerdes, Erica Otto, Heidi Kuethe, Melissa Mercier.



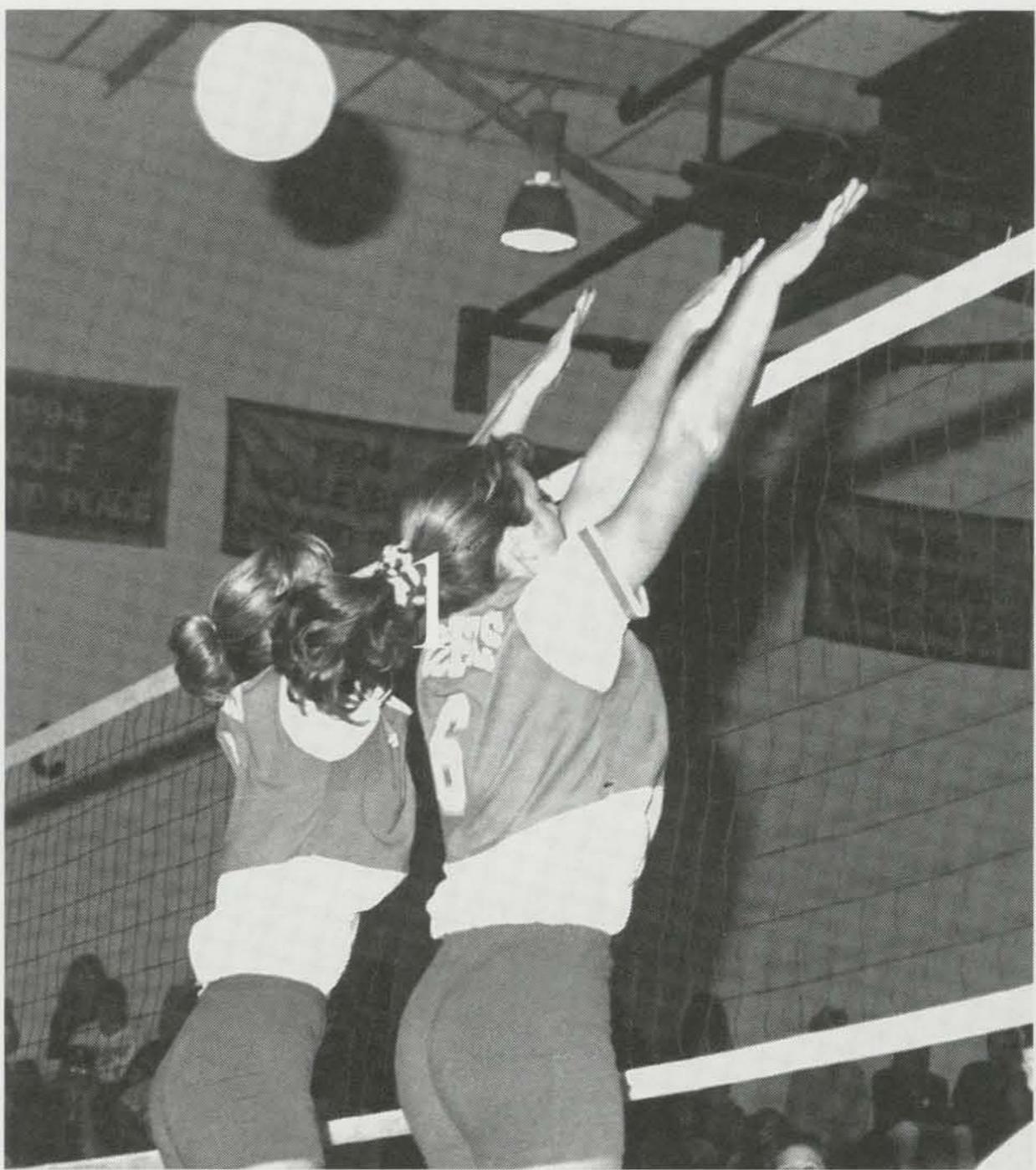
JUNIOR VARSITY

Row One: Toni DeCristofaro, Kelly Beer, Jenny Geisler, Samantha Dawson, Kate Rudiso. Row Two: Jody Naffziger, Gina Lamonica, Anna Chiodo, Jessica Moody, Celina Padivil, Julia Fiergolla. Row Three: Natalie Reeser, Jessica Shoemaker, Kim Mathile, Kim Bradshaw, Mindy Magarity, Anne Dennewitz, Olivia Finnigan.



Above: Senior Night at U-High was one to remember. These seniors, Julia Fiergolla, Joannie Gerdes, Erica Otto, Kristy Ralston, and Kristy Witherow all contributed much to the volleyball program this year.

Below: Jenny Rohren and Joannie Gerdes go up for a block against Pontiac's left side attacker. Pontiac, being in the Conbelt Conference, was a very intensely competitive match for U-High.



SCOREBOARD

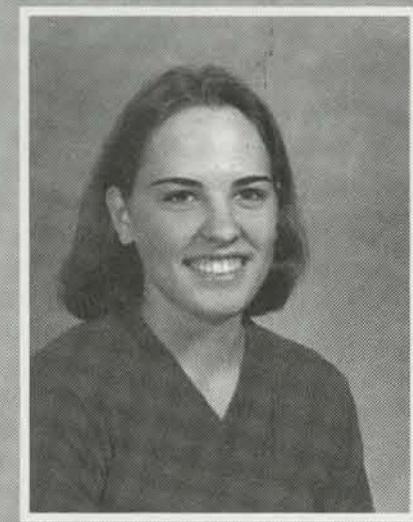
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| Central Catholic | W | L |
| Mt. Pulaski | W | W |
| Roanoke-Benson | W | W |
| Mahomet-Seymour | W | W |
| Olympia | W | W |
| Notre Dame | W | W |
| Prairie Central | W | W |
| Lexington | W | W |
| El Paso | W | W |
| Pontiac | W | W |
| Mahomet-Seymour | W | W |
| Olympia | W | W |
| Hartsburg-Emden | L | W |
| Bishop-Mac JV | W | L |
| Wilmette (Regina Dominican) | L | W |
| Prairie Central | W | W |
| Pontiac | W | W |
| Olympia | W | W |
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Realization Of A New Team

Volleyball keeps on surviving

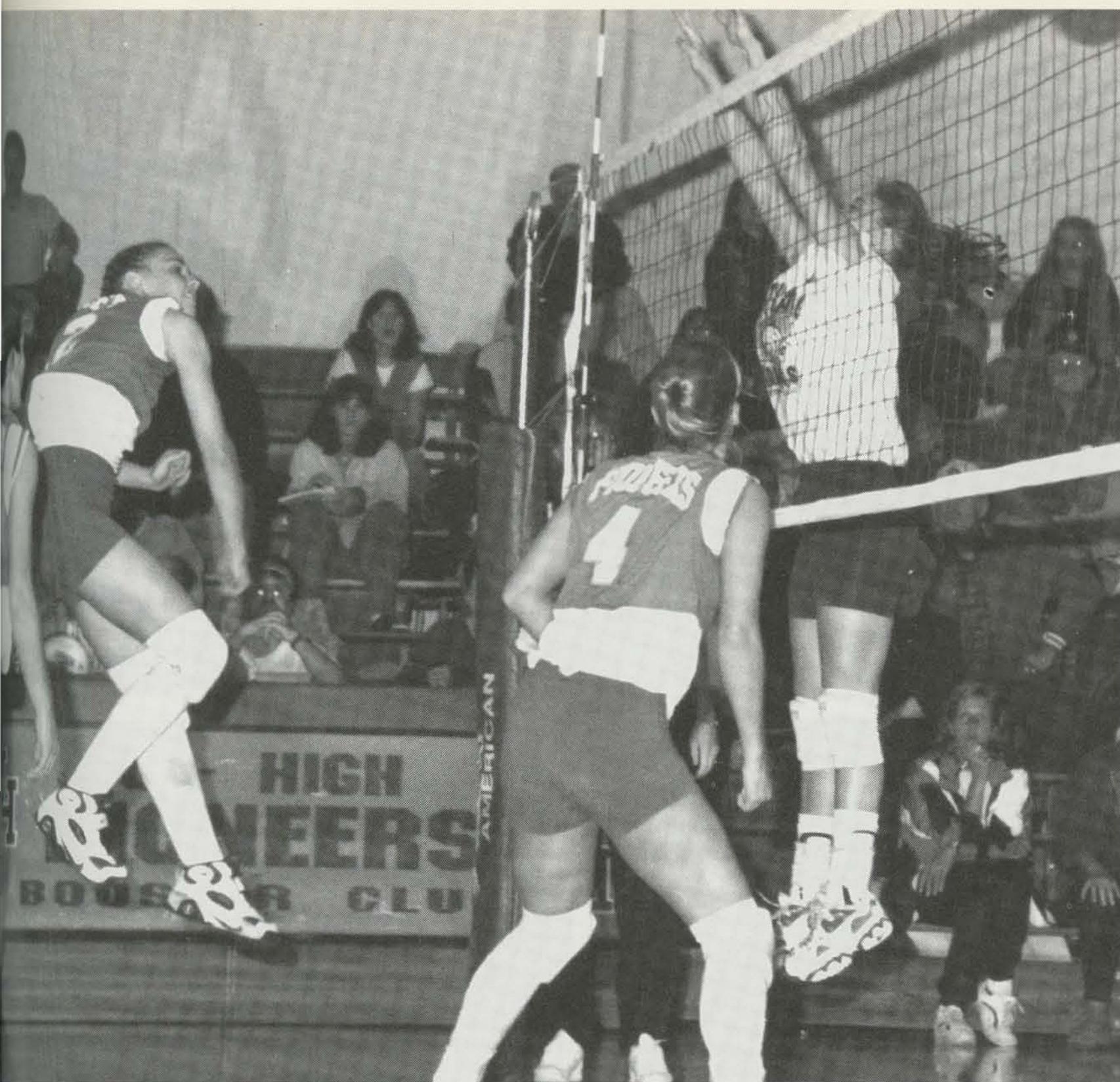
By Erin O'Connor

The volleyball season this year was indeed a year of its own. The varsity team did not go far in post season, but did prove to themselves and others that they were certainly a team to remember. The core of the team was built around the ambition to prove that they could not survive without the help of last year's graduated players.



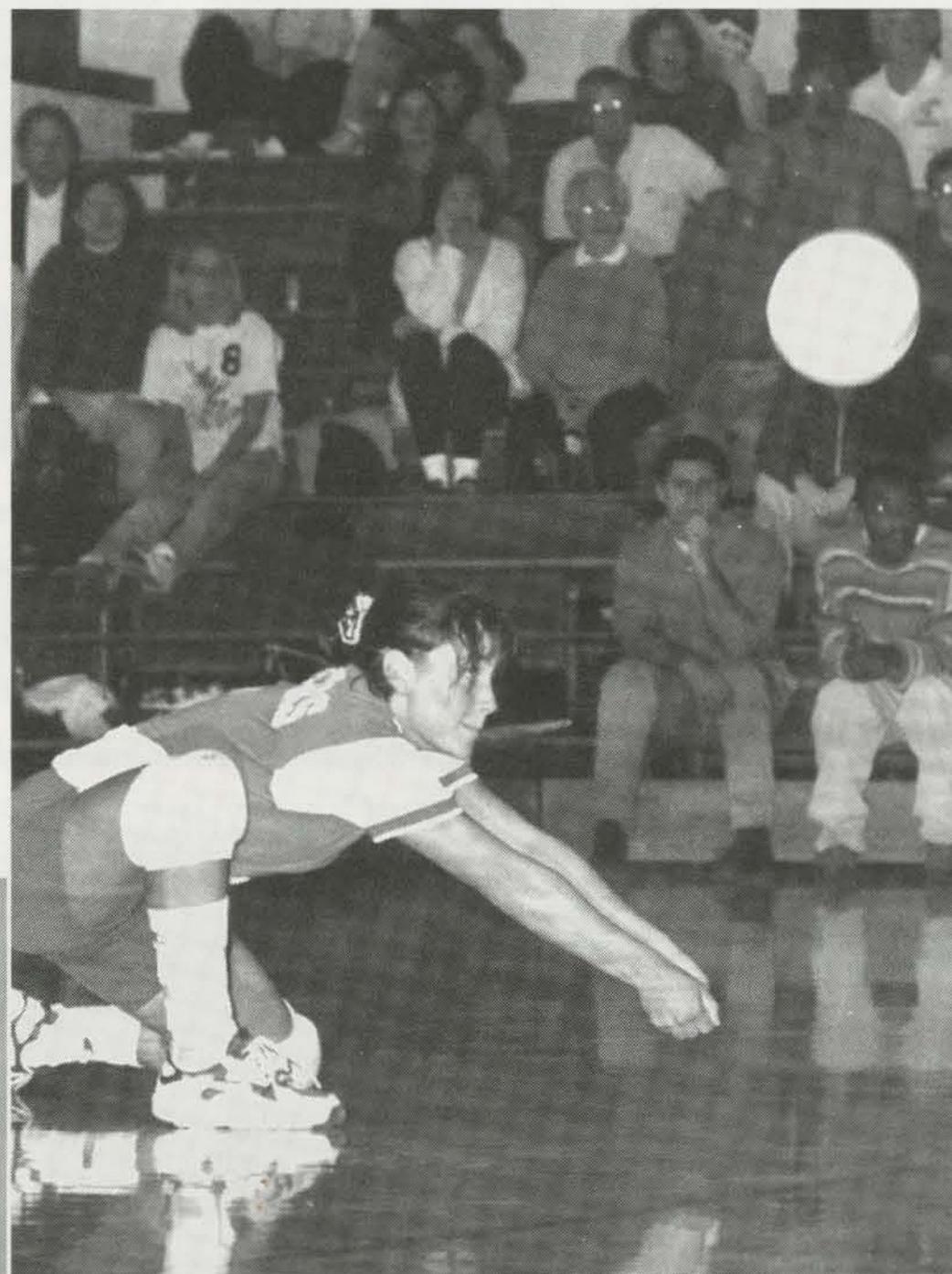
However, the season left critics with something to consider. The team finished with over 30 wins and 5 losses; something definitely worth celebrating. The team was also unbeaten in the Cornbelt Conference and became the conference champs. First place was taken in two of the three tournaments and U-High tied with Normal West in the Intercity Tournament.

"Our season was very emotional. It seemed like someone was injured every week, but we looked past it and reached most of our goals," said Melissa Mercier.



Above: Melissa "Air" Mercier is on her way down from a huge leap to spike the ball over the single blocker on the opposite side. Melissa became a key hitter within the team throughout the season.

Left: Sophomore Kim Mathile goes up in the middle for a quick set. Kim contributed to the Junior Varsity team as a middle hitter and defensive player.



Right: Kristy Witherow goes down low for a dig on serve receive. Kristy played as a defensive specialist for the team in her junior and senior year, so it is almost certain she passed this one up!

Rewarding Golf Season

*Boys Golf Team Wins
State Title*

By David Griffith

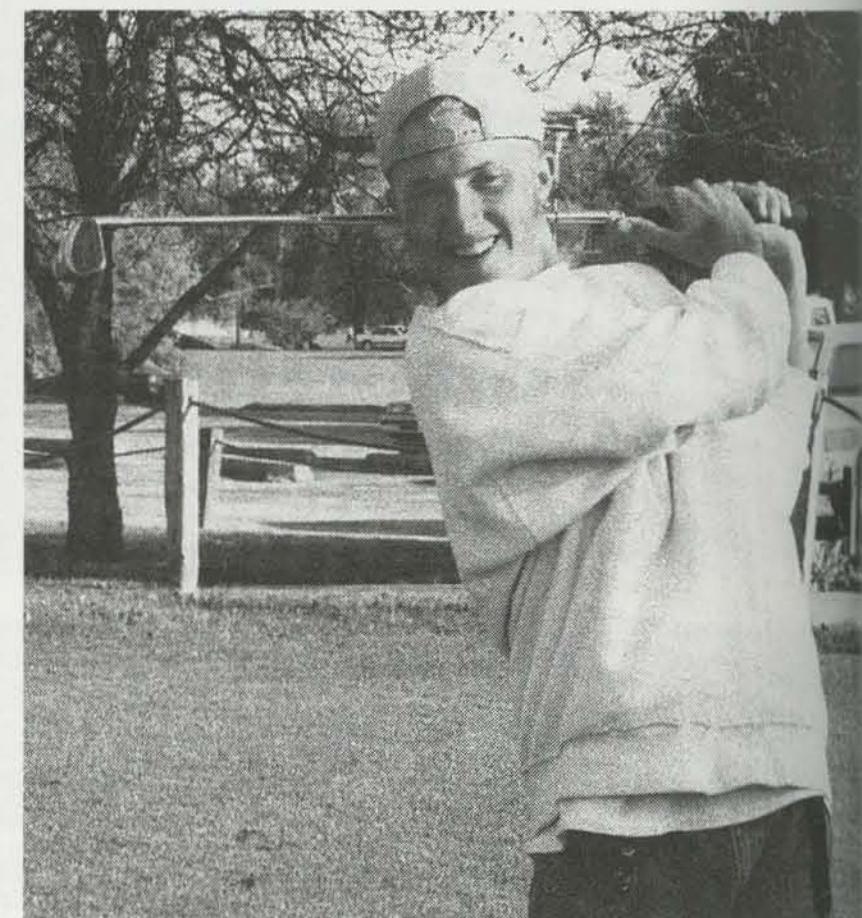
For the second time in U-High history the boys golf team won a state title. U-High fired a total of 627 for two days. That is lower than any team in the previous four Class A State Tournaments held at Prairie Vista Golf Course. However, the team wasn't always a record setting team.

The varsity record was a mere 7-4, with victories at the Midland Invitational, Havana Invitational, Cornbelt Conference, Sectionals and the State Tournament. Junior, Pat Milligan tied for second individually at the State Tournament and sophomore, Josh Wheeler earned eighth place honors. The Junior Varsity remained undefeated with a 16-0 season. "I told our boys from day one our chances were at least as good as anybody's," said Coach John McQuary. "We just had to keep focusing and working towards that state title."

Below : Front Row : T.J. Crusius, Pat Milligan, Mike Nolan, Dave Griffith, Josh Wheeler, Nick Kashian, Kraft, Lance McMillan. Back Row : Coach McQuary, John Armstrong, Adam Humphreys, Aaron Kalloff, Hosch, Andy Hinthorne, Nate Romance, Jay Powell, Nick Anderson, Brian Wilson, Coach Lane.



Above : Junior Pat Milligan smiles because he has such a small birdie putt.

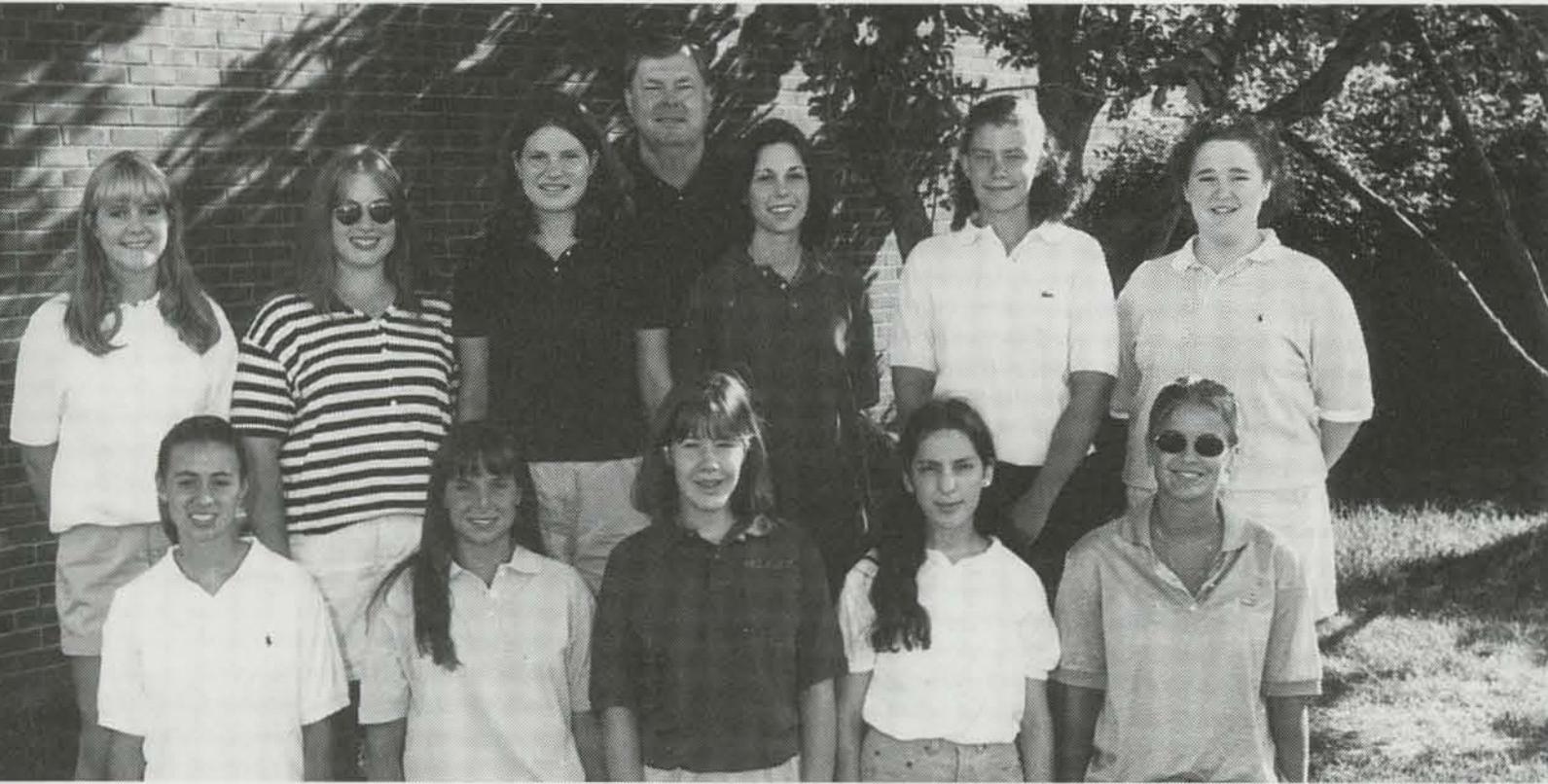


Above : Sophomore Josh Wheeler watches his shot closely as it sails toward the green.

SCOREBOARD

| Tournaments | Scores | Finish |
|------------------------|--------|---------|
| Midland Inv. | 296 | 1st |
| Monmouth Inv. | 314 | 3rd Red |
| Bird Classic | 319 | 2nd |
| Livingston County Inv. | 330 | 3rd |
| Havana Inv. | 304 | 1st |
| Intercity | 616 | 2nd |
| Galesburg Inv. | 312 | 4th |
| Cornbelt Conference | 328 | 1st |
| Taylorville Inv. | 331 | 2nd |
| Regional | 322 | 2nd |
| Sectional | 319 | 1st |
| State | 627 | 1st |

Front Row : Lacey Penn, Michelle Natzke, Meredith Nourie, Jenny Wojcick, Lauren Bratberg. Back Row : Katie Ahnke, Amanda Finch, Jodie Lanier, Coach Hubbard, Stacia Thetard, Michelle Bandy, Morgan Crutchfield.



Above : Senior Michelle Natzke practices with her pitching wedge out by the tennis courts.



Above : Junior Jodi Lanier searches for more room on her card to fit her score into.

SCOREBOARD

Tournaments

Ironmen Invitational
Livingston County Inv.
Galesburg Invitational
Conbelt Conference
Intercity
Regional

Finish

11th
5th
8th
2nd
5th
5th

Rebuilding The Team

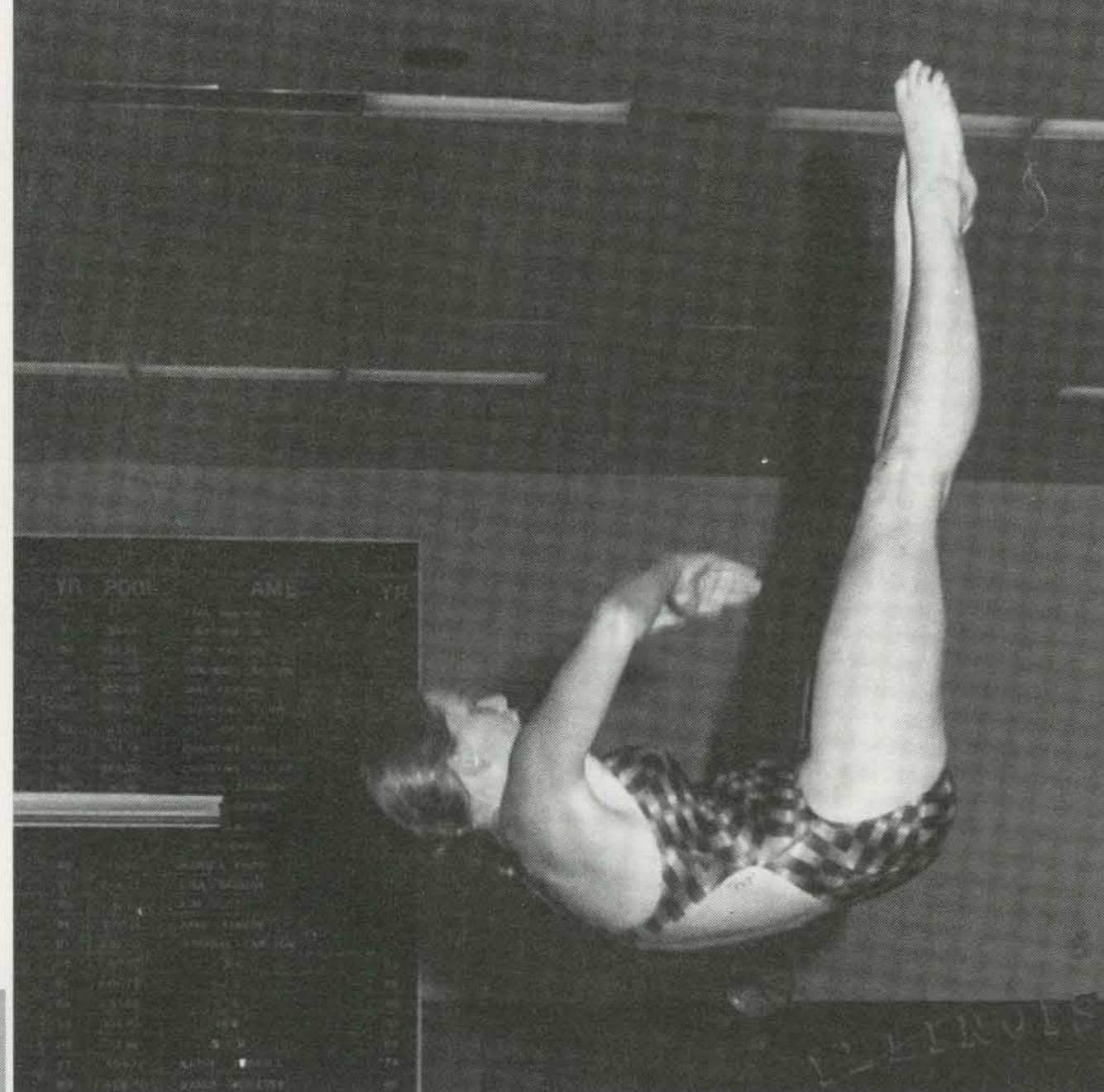
Girls Golf Team Has a Building Season

By David Griffith

Coach Hubbard has always been proud of the performance of his girls golf team. Regardless if they have a winning season he knows they always give their best. "We had a really good season despite the inexperience of our team," said Coach Hubbard. "Last year it was a senior dominated team and it was tough losing them all this year."

The girls had a record of 16-5, but these numbers don't tell the whole story. They don't tell you about a team that proved itself to be winners on and off the course. Although they didn't make it to State this year, junior Lauren Bratberg qualified for Sectionals as an individual and gained MVP honors." They really tried and gave it their best out there and that's what counts," said Hubbard.

Varsity: Row One:Sara Gibson, Karla Moshier, Amy Magarity, Bridget Nord, Jenny Hall, Abby Bateman, Kuo-Shin Lian, Catie Curry, Jennie Brown Row Two: Coach Michelle McClain, Judy Yin, Kelly Pydnowski, Jamie Puregoy, Emilee Graves, Abby Scheirer, Emily Koglin, Alison Beck, Coach Michelle Hoffman Row Three: Coach Brian Sewell, Stefanie Loveless, Tiffany Thetard, Betsy Barr, Megan Yontz, Molly Vetter, Molly Hodel, Emily Greenspan



Junior Bridget Nord soars through the air while performing a reverse inward straight position at Horton Pool.

SCOREBOARD

| MEET | U-High | Opponent |
|-----------------|--------|----------|
| Bloomington | 121 | 65 |
| Urbana/NCHS | 491 | 466/257 |
| Pontiac/Eureka | 166 | 84/77 |
| Centennial | 96 | 90 |
| Palatine Invite | 4th | of 6 |
| Olympia | 116 | 68 |
| BHS Invite | 1st | of 14 |
| Dunlap/Peoria | 162 | 93/69 |
| Intercit | 1st | of 4 |
| Lincoln/Pekin | 62 | 4/1 |
| Uni-High | 112 | 69 |
| Ch.Central | 110 | 74 |
| Peoria Central | 98 | 87 |
| Sectionals | 2nd | of 12 |

State Tie for 17

Resurfacing

*Girls swimmers dive to
a great ending*

By Adrienne Fuller

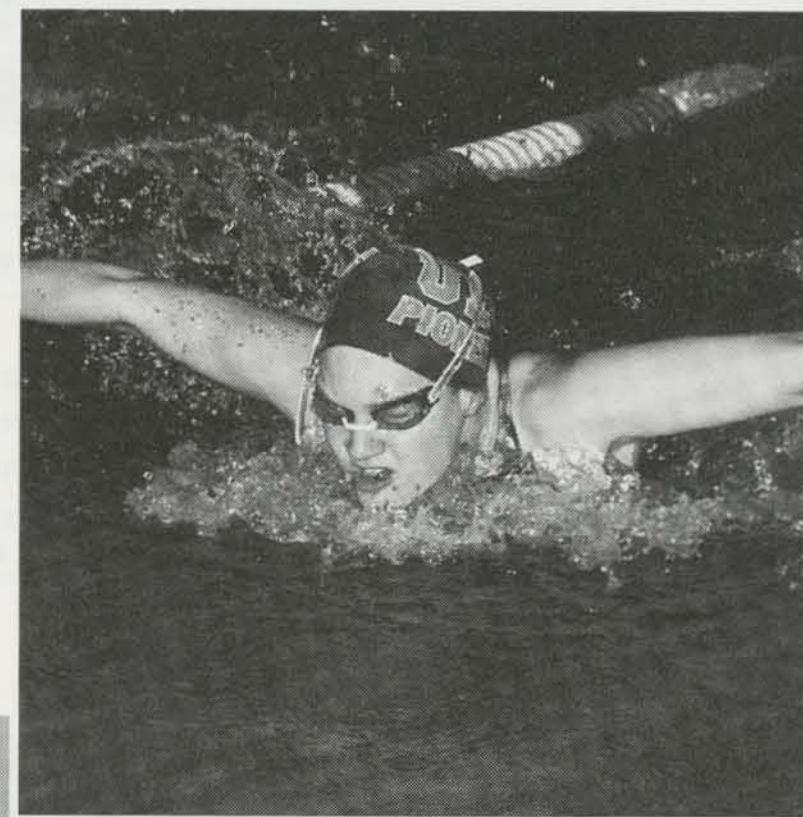
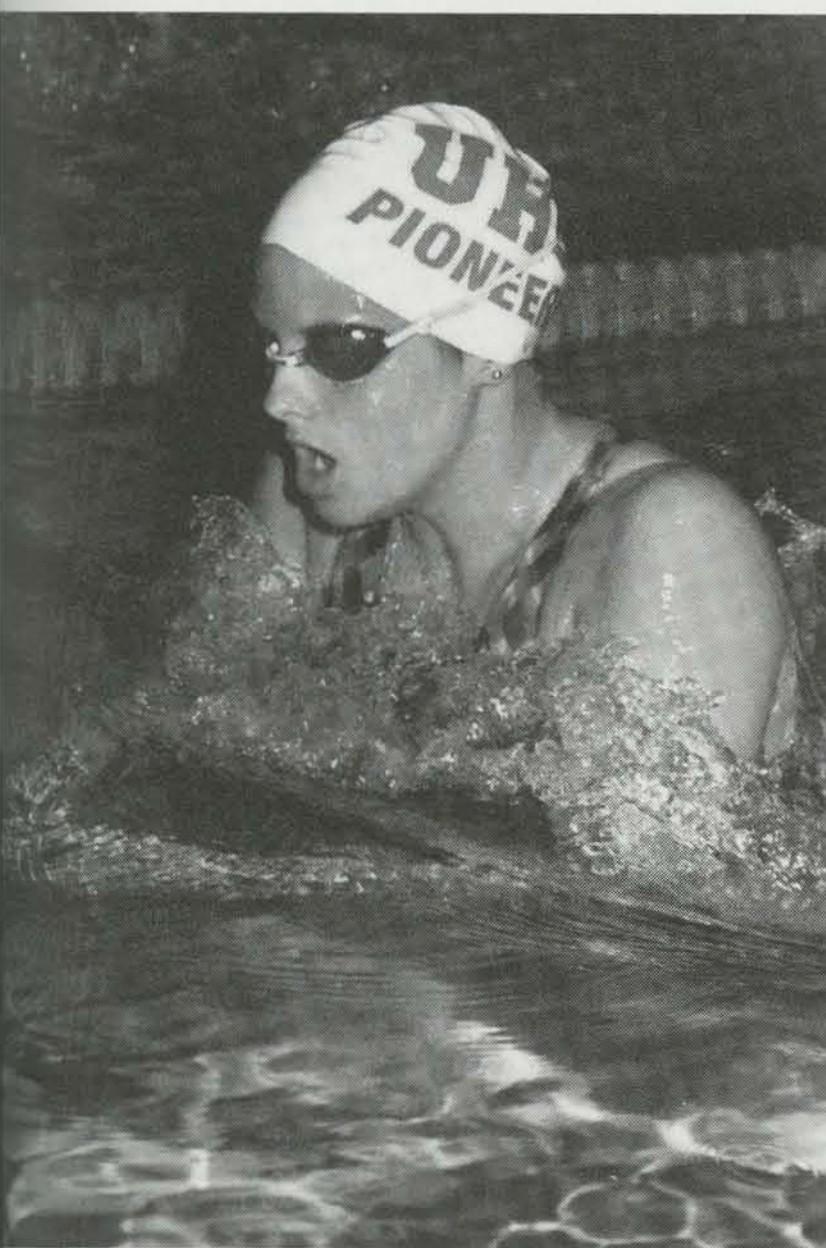
"This is one of the best seasons we have had," said junior Catie Curry. The team swam to many victorys throughout the season.

Junior Molly Vetter was the only memeber of the team to qualify in an individual event for the state meet. Vetter finished with a 2nd place finish in the 200-yard freestyle, and a spot on the All State Team.

The team advanced in all three relays, participating in the state preliminaries. "I love the feeling of being part of a team. This seasons success brought together the entire team. It made me feel pride in the team and the school," said Junior Bridget Nord. Nord recieived recognition as the most valuable diver for the third consecutive year.



The week before state seniors Molly Hodel and Megan Yontz, juniors Molly Vetter, Tiffany Thetard, and Kelly Pydynowski, sophomores Abby Scheirer and Emily Green span and freshman Betsy Baar, take a rest between sets at a work-out



Left: Senior Megan Yontz stretches for the wall at Horton Pool against a fellow Pioneer during a practice at Horton pool.

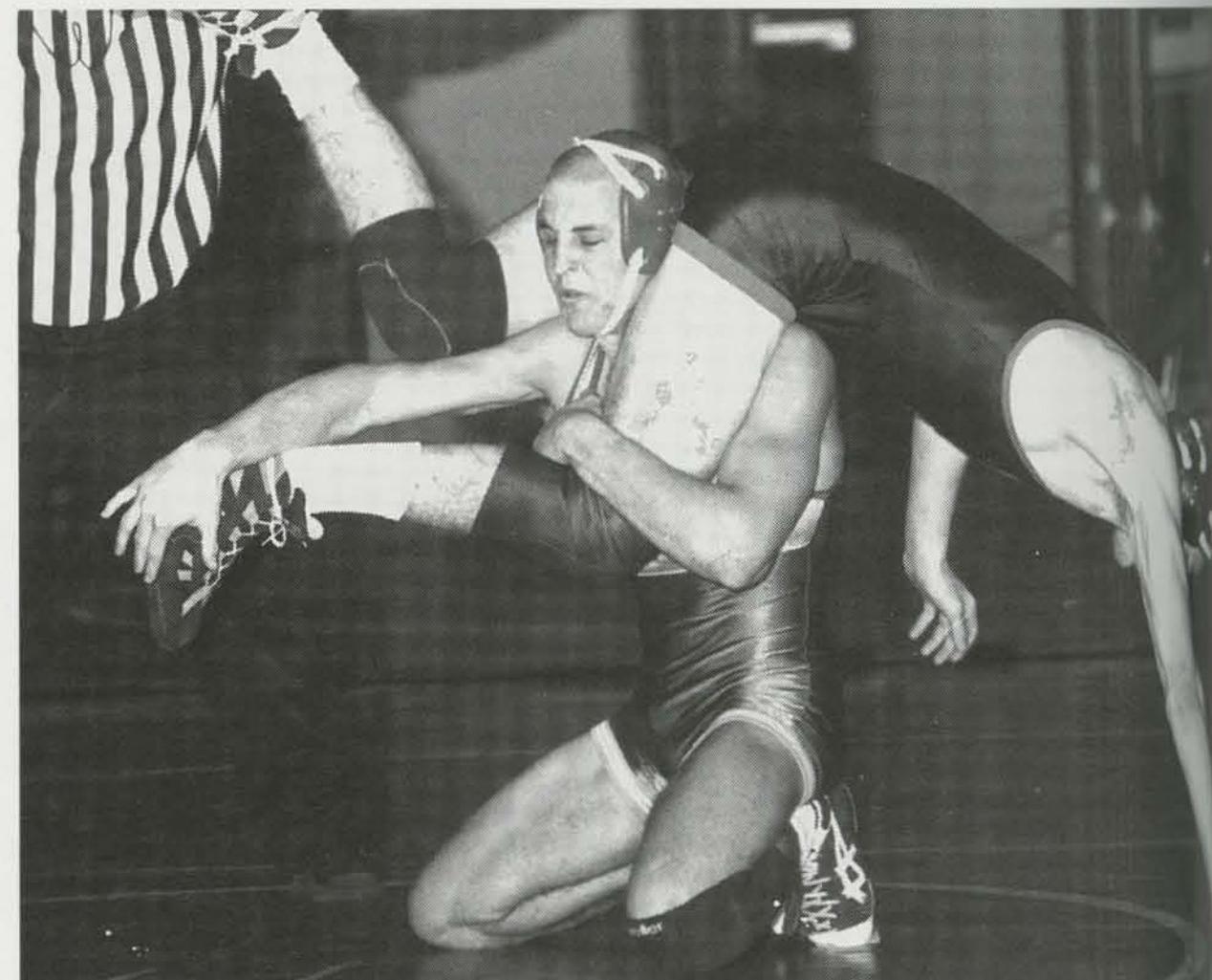
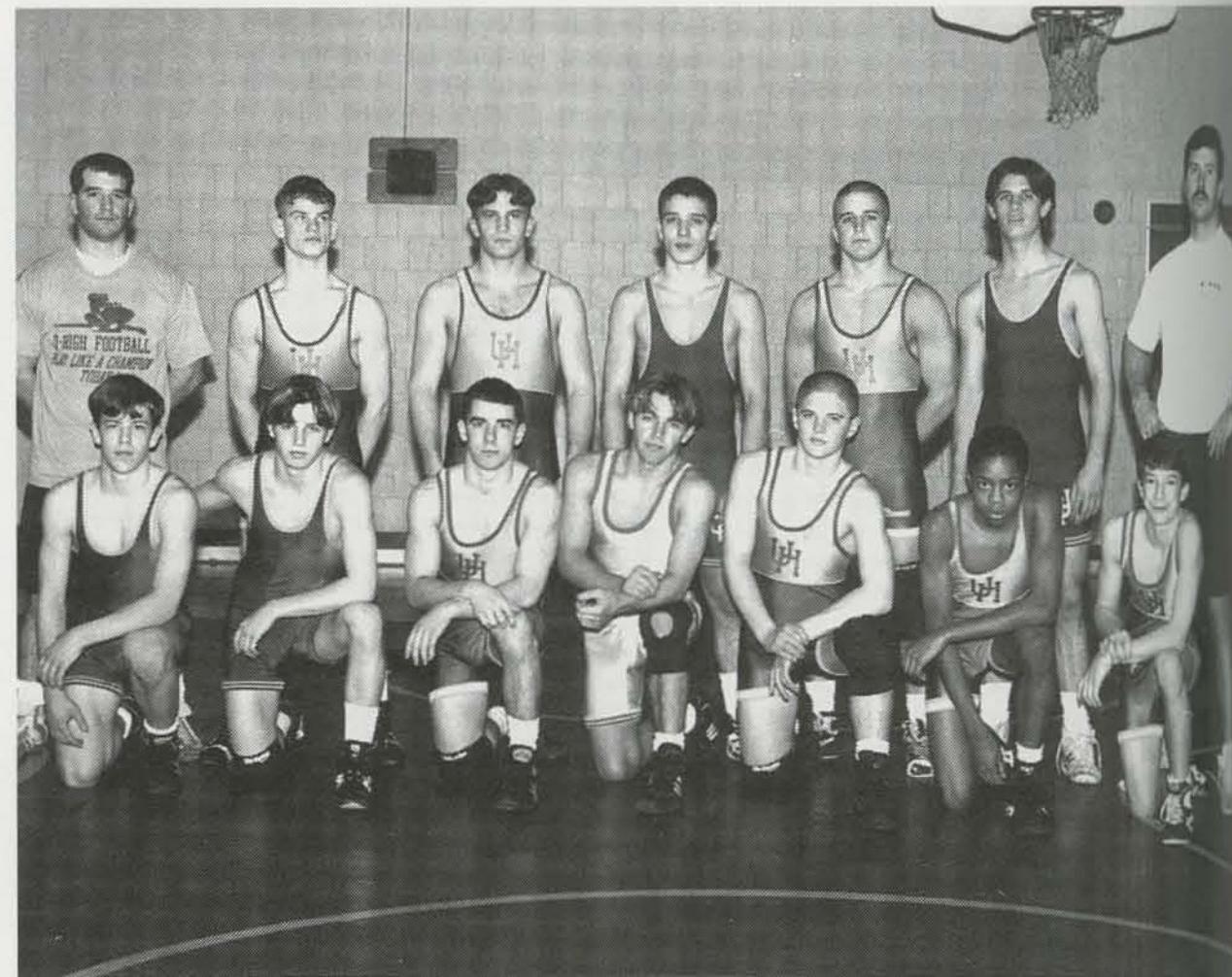
Left: Senior Molly Hodel flies to the finish in a tight race against an opponent from Bloomington as the crowd goes wild.

SCOREBOARD

| <u>Wrestler</u> | <u>Class</u> | <u>Record</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| Yemi Adelekan | 10 | 21-15 |
| Phil Beccue | 11 | 13-19 |
| Tim Beccue | 9 | 9-17 |
| Jamie Bills | 11 | 2-21 |
| Andy Cunningham | 12 | 1-8 |
| John Donovan | 11 | 28-11 |
| Justin Flipiak | 10 | 4-1 |
| Kiel Foster | 9 | 12-14 |
| Jon Hand | 9 | 19-9 |
| Dan Lenart | 9 | 9-8 |
| Mike Nelson | 12 | 20-11 |
| Tony Nelson] | 11 | 33-8 |
| Tony Neibur | 12 | 20-2 |
| Chris Pederson | 9 | 4-7 |
| Jake Walgren | 12 | 0-3 |

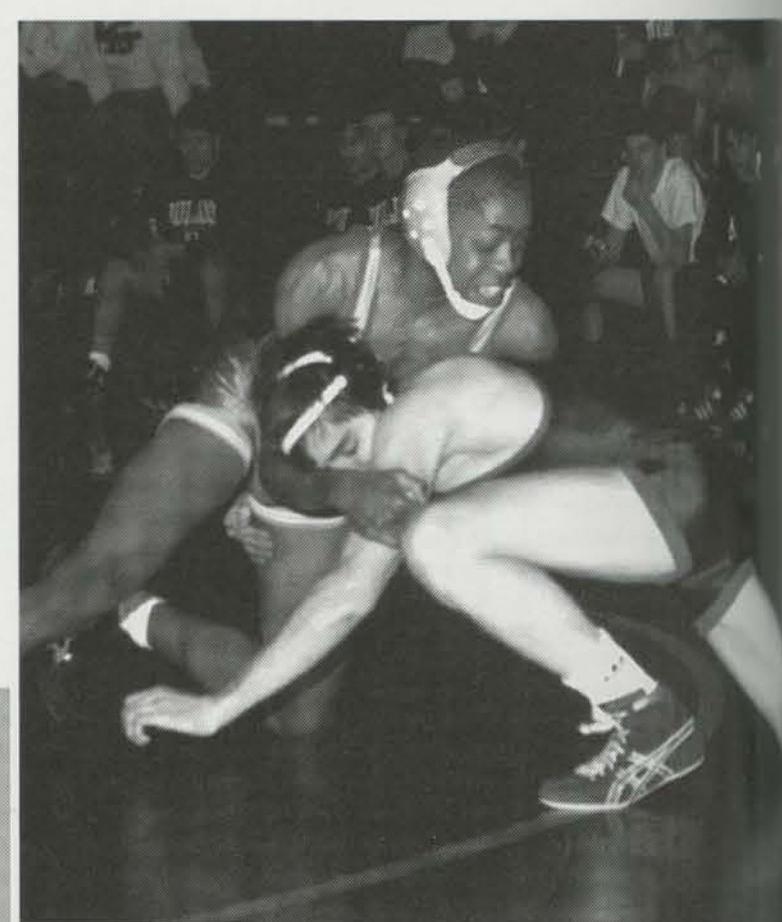
WRESTLING

Row One: Dan Lentes, Tony Nelson, John Donovan, Mike Nelson, Jon Hand, Yemi Adelekan, Tim Beccue. Row Two: Steve Long, Kiel Foster, Phil Beccue, Andy Cunningham, Tony Niebur, Jake Walgren and Coach Smith.



Above: Senior Tony Neibur manhandles his opponent. This year, Neeibur managed to bring home his second state championship. Way to go, Tony!

Lower Right: Yemi Adelekan has his opponent where he wants him. Yemi finished the season with an impressive 21 wins and 15 losses.



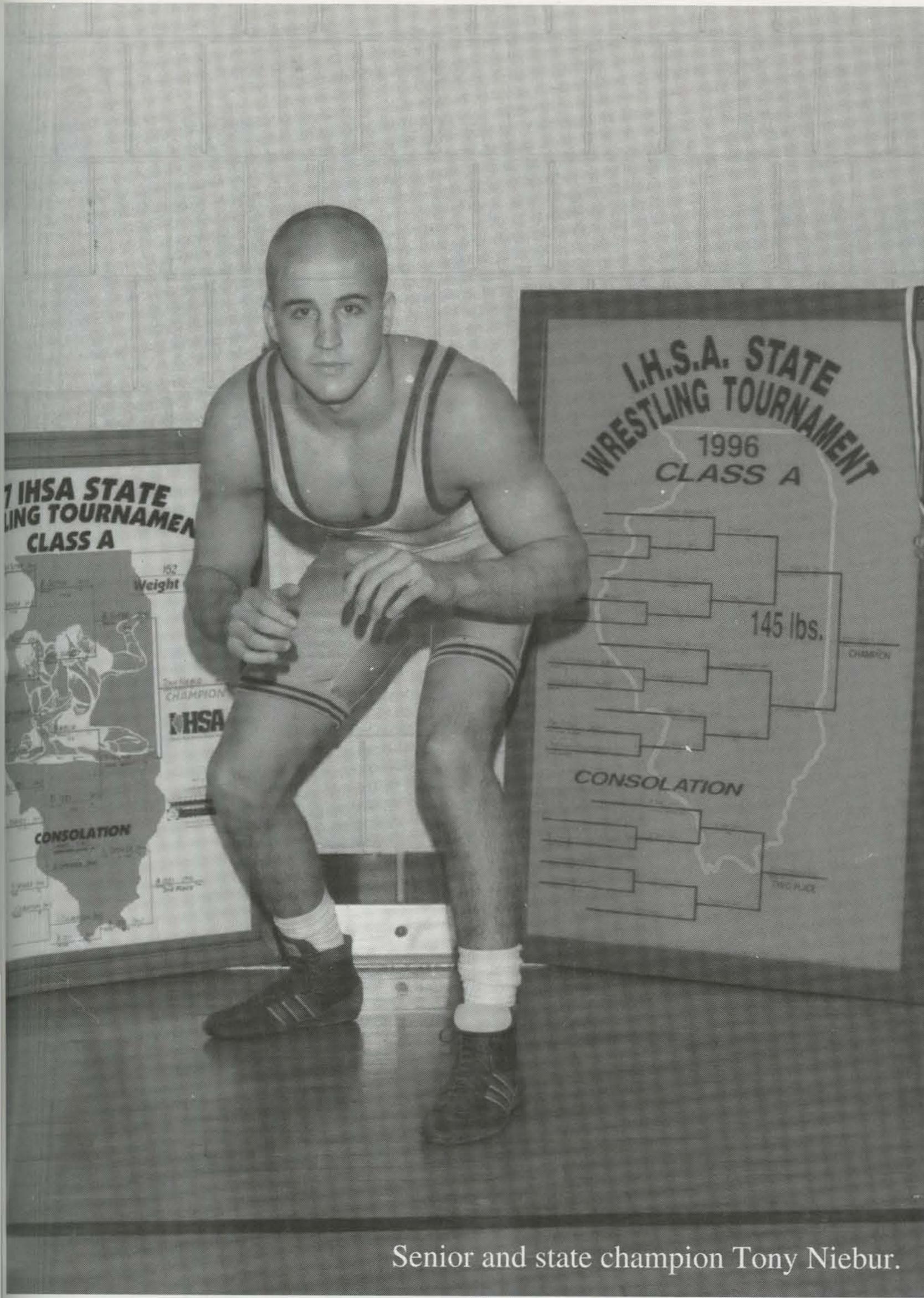
Recipe For Success

Wrestling takes on State

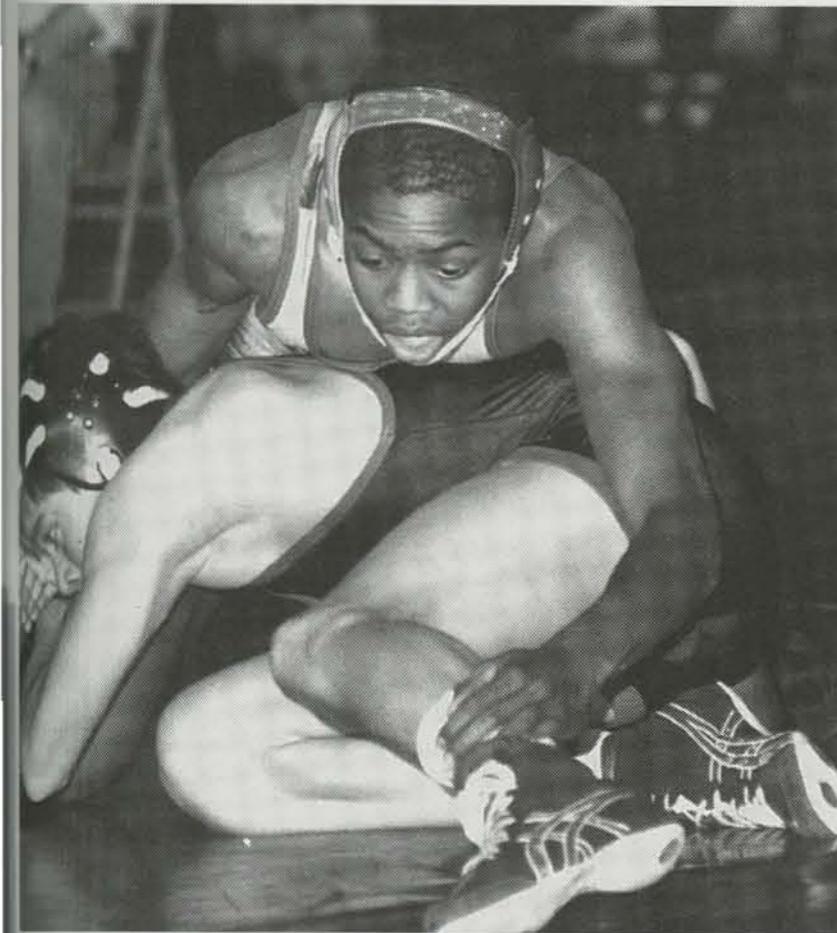
By Paul Brooks

The U-High wrestling team finished the year with a record of 5-13. Although the record makes the team's season appear rather bleak. The team had a rough year, but was provided with a few significant highlights during the 1996-1997 season. The team had several successful individuals and the season showcased the talents of these wrestlers.

Ed Smith has now completed his second year as head coach of the team. Smith recalls many fond memories of the season's events. "The state championship match, where Tony Niebur won his second state championship," was one of Smith's favorite memories. Other season highlights included wrestlers, Mike Nelson, Tony Nelson and Yemi Adelekan, who also fared well against their opponents.

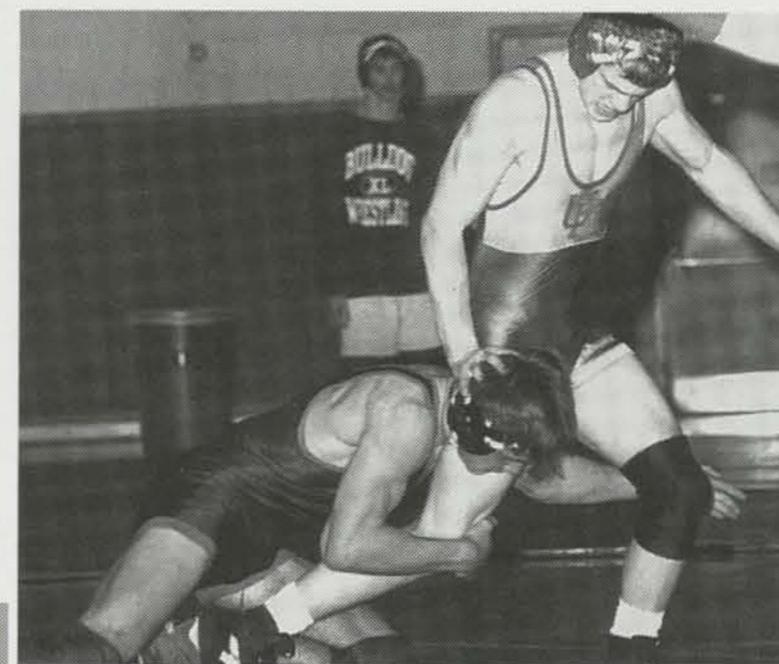


Senior and state champion Tony Niebur.



Above: Sophomore Yemi Adelekan attempts to ward off his fiendish competition. Come on, Yemi!

Left: Kiel Foster is locked in a struggle to win.

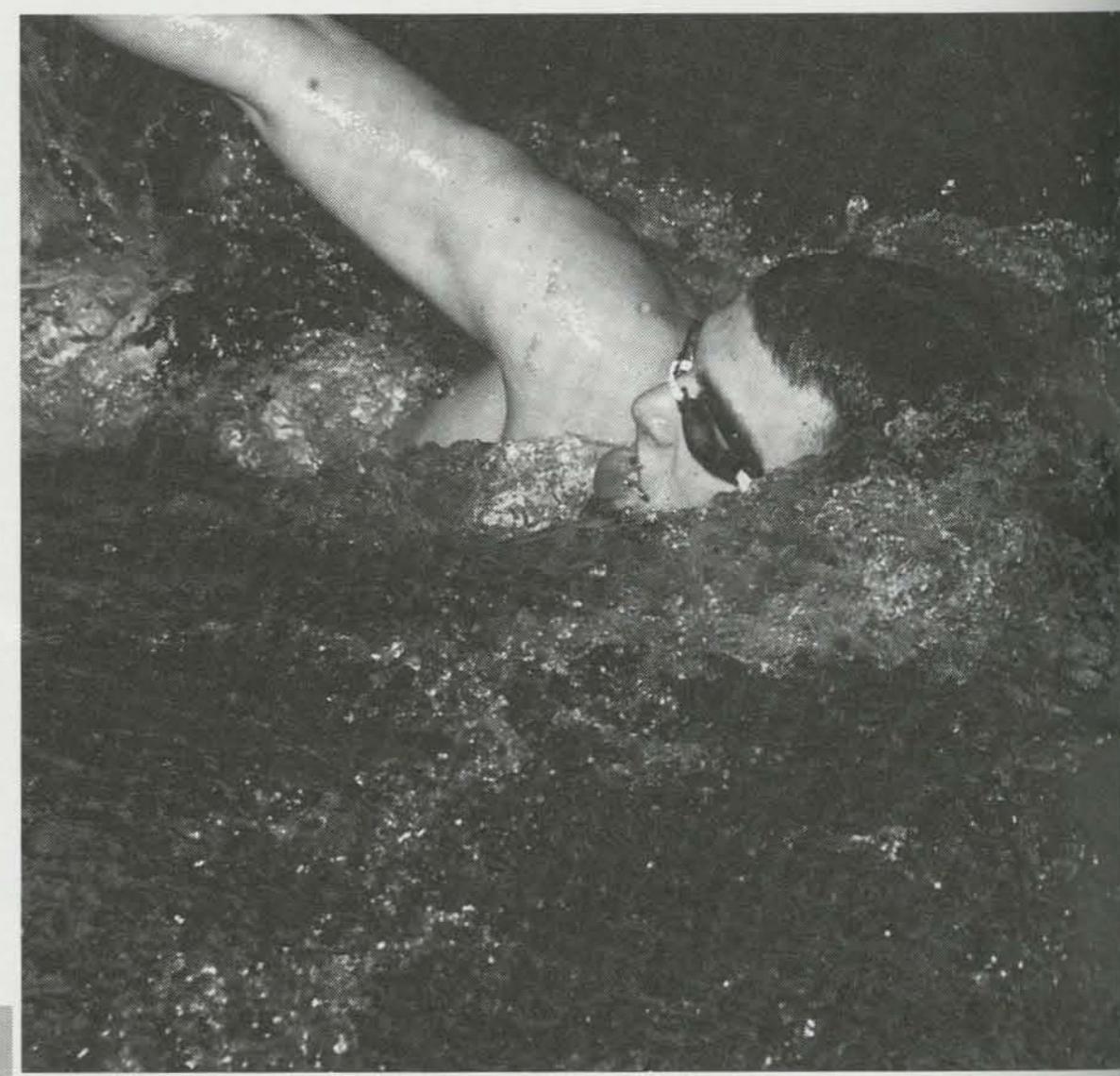
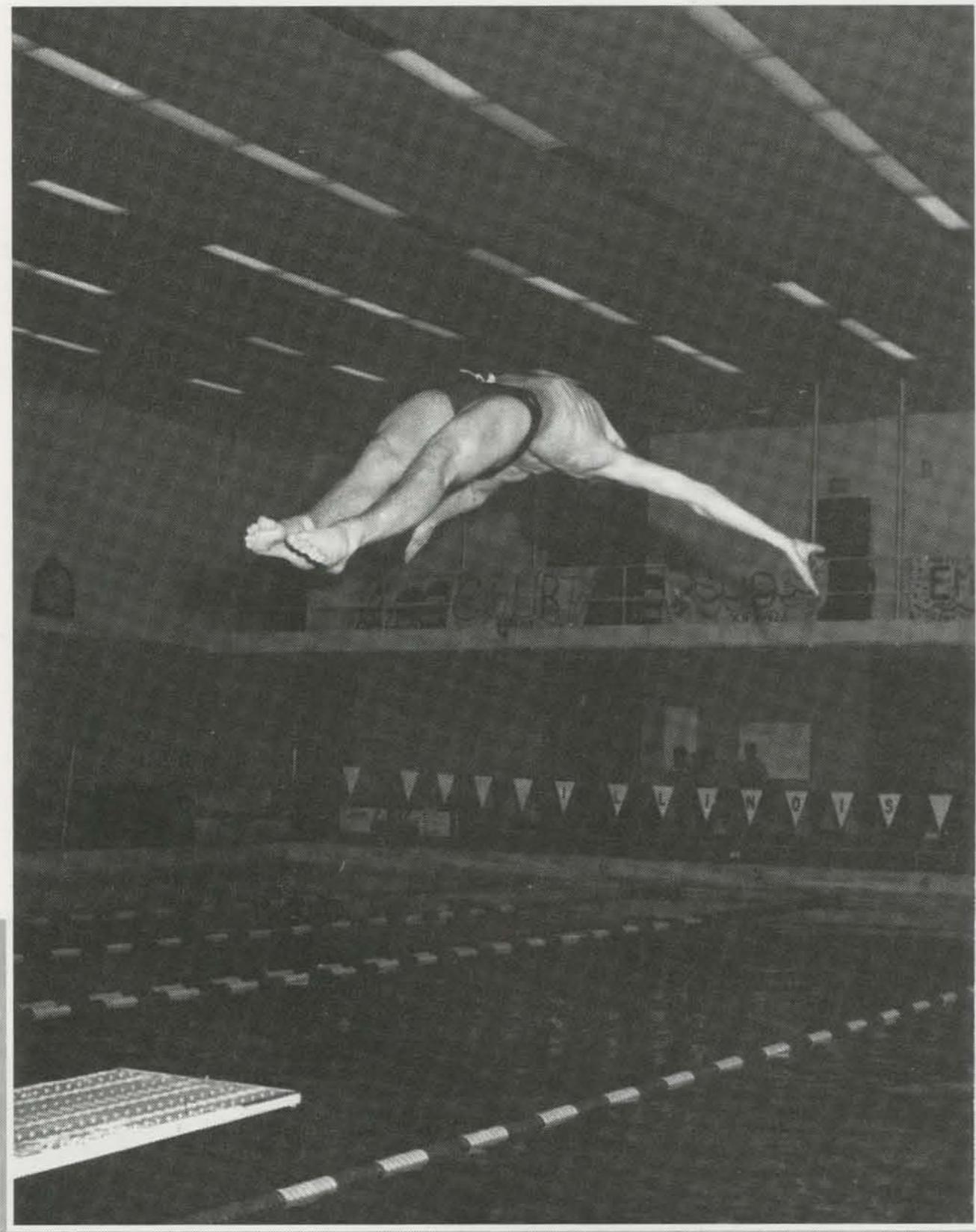
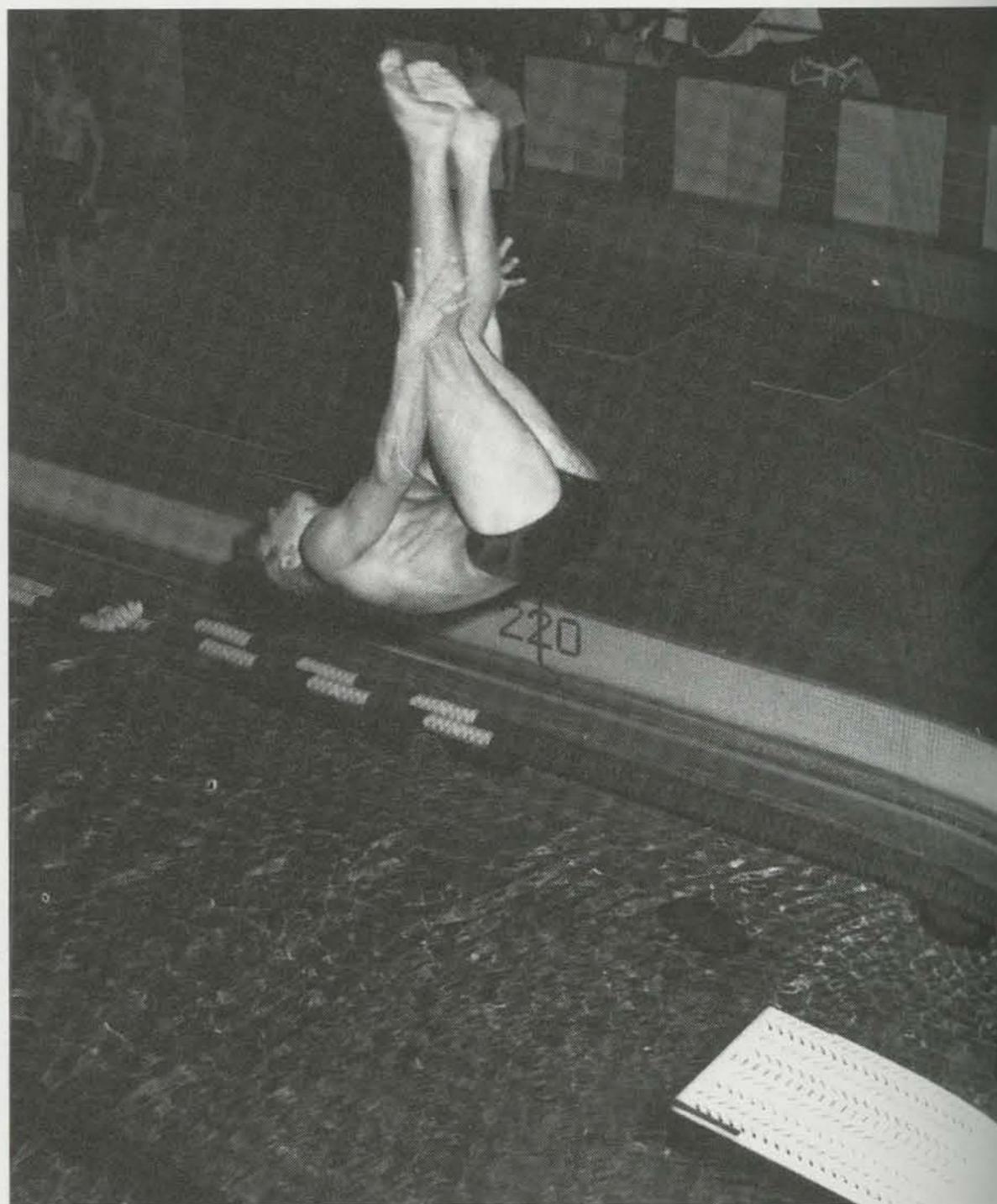


BOYS SWIMMING

Row one: Kyle Jackson, Mike Hermes, Andy Sur, Matt Styzynski, Coach Michelle Hoffman Row two: Ben Shoot, J.D. Klaverweiden, Jonathon Schuyler, Tom Benjamin, Andy Schmidgall Row three: Chad Shulz, Mark Harris, Andy Golomb



Below: Andy Golomb plunges backwards into the water below at a swim meet.

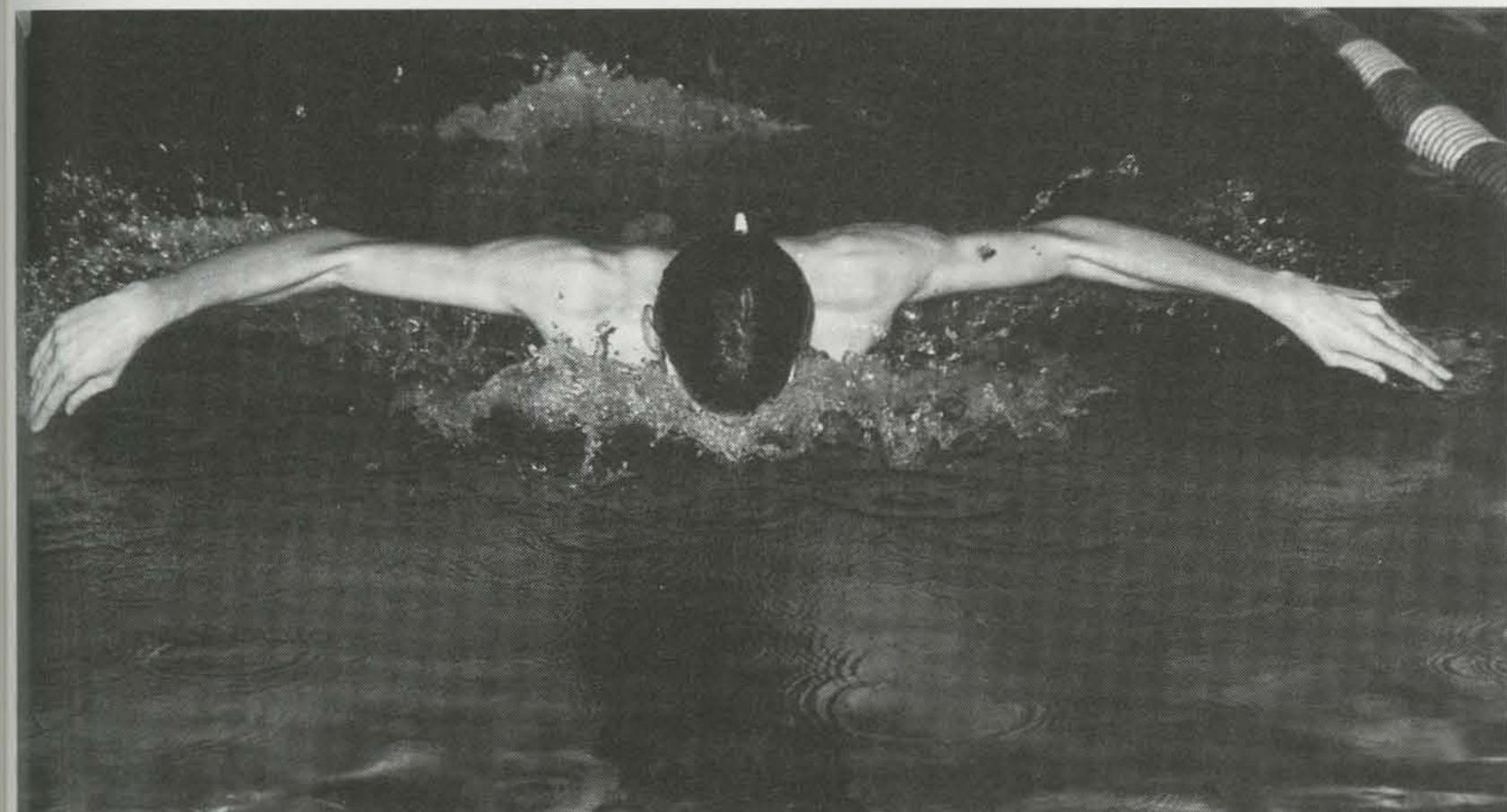


Above: Senior Chad Shulz plowed through the water reaching for another victory

Right: WEEEEE! Senior Andy Golomb gracefully dives into a pool of water that was "not so close" from where he was diving.

Below: Kyle Jackson aggressively swam his hardest. Kyle was one of the teams only freshman members this season. He proved himself to be a dedicated team worker

Far Below: Senior Mark Harris demonstrates the butterfly.



SCOREBOARD

Game

Urbana
Waubonsie Valley Invite
Homewood Diving Invite

Dunlap
Ceder Rapids, IA
Southeast
Intercity
Olympia
Conant Invite
Springfield/Eureka
Champaign Central
Sectionals

U-High

| | |
|---------------|--|
| W | |
| 4th out of 6 | |
| Not Available | |
| L | |
| 5th out of 6 | |
| W | |
| 1st out of 4 | |
| W | |
| 6th out of 6 | |
| W/W | |
| L | |
| 3rd out of 9 | |

Re-Live the Challenge...

Boys Swimming makes it to State!

By Jenny Wojcik

This season was a great challenge for the Boys Swimming and Diving team. With the help of head coach Michelle Hoffman and diving coach Michelle Clain, the boys made it to state improving themselves the whole time.

The boys swim team stood out among U-High students when they decided to make use of their hair to gain team spirit and excitement. They all dyed, selectively shaved, and styled their hair so that anyone looking their way had to take notice.

This years team consisted of Tom Benjamin, Andy Golomb, Mark Harris, Mike Hermes, Kyle Jackson, J.D. Klaverweiden, Jim Oltman, Andy Schmidgall, Chad Schulz, Jonathan Schuyler, Ben Shoot, Matt Stycynski, and Andy Sur. Three freshman ensure future successes for the team. This season's challenge was full of happiness and excitement, which led to victory. "For a small team, they did really well," said Hoffman. "If there was one person missing, we wouldn't have been able to have accomplished what we did."

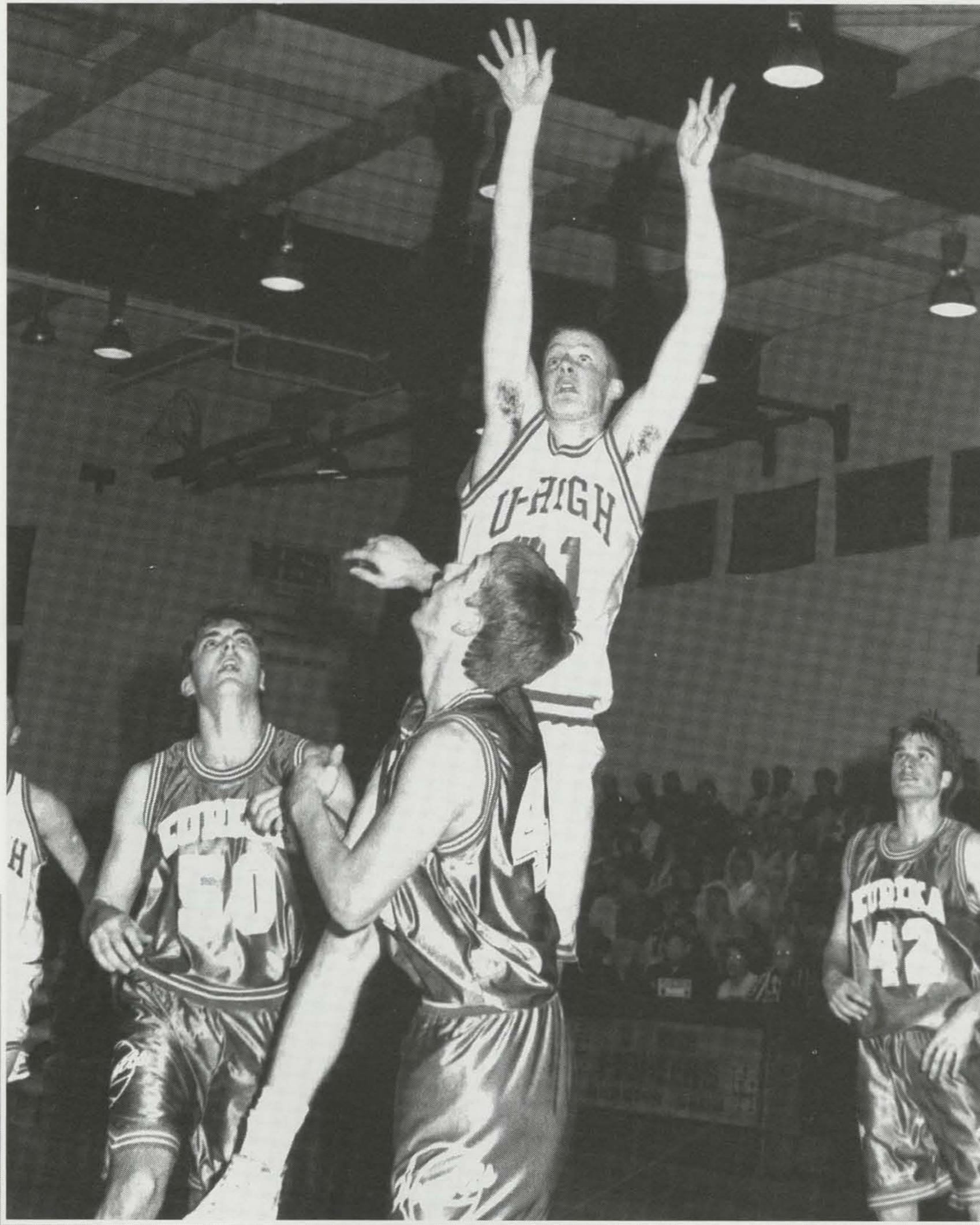
FRESHMEN BASKETBALL

Row One: Dan Cottone, Chase Hilgenbrinck, Andy Cain, Ron Hummel. Row Two: Jeremy Fuson, Clint Mapel, Kevin Corcoran, Tom Elmore, Mike Yeagle, Tyler Fritzen. Row Three: Coach Mark Edmundson, Ryan Bustle, Nick Anderson, Brian Shultz, Aaron Kallhoff, Matt Leng.

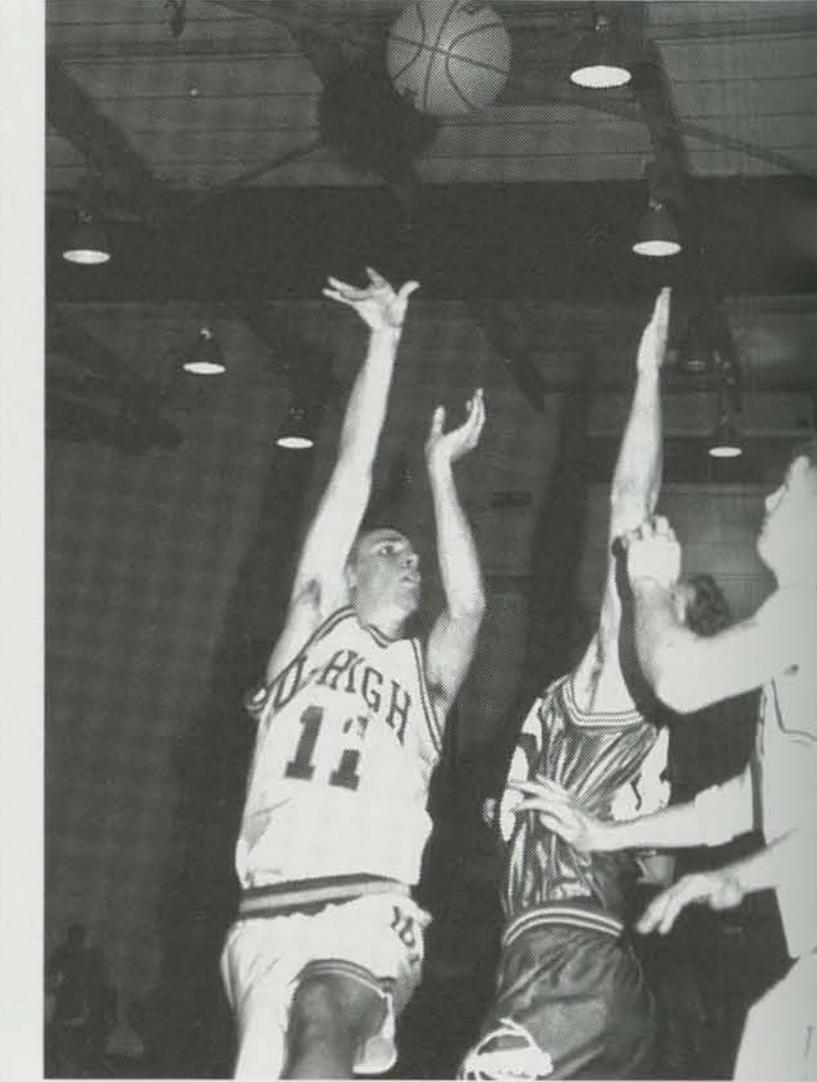


JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

Row One: Jared Dalcourt, Ricky Hildreth, Jeremy Rakers, Jason Rainey, Paul Drinan, Josh Wheeler. Row Two: Darrin York, Dan Swerdlik, Alex Kowerko, Brad Yamada, Nick Roediger, Luke Harding, Steve Bahn, Coach Lester Hampton.



Above: Junior Neill Beurskens bounds into the air high above the rest of the players to make his shot.



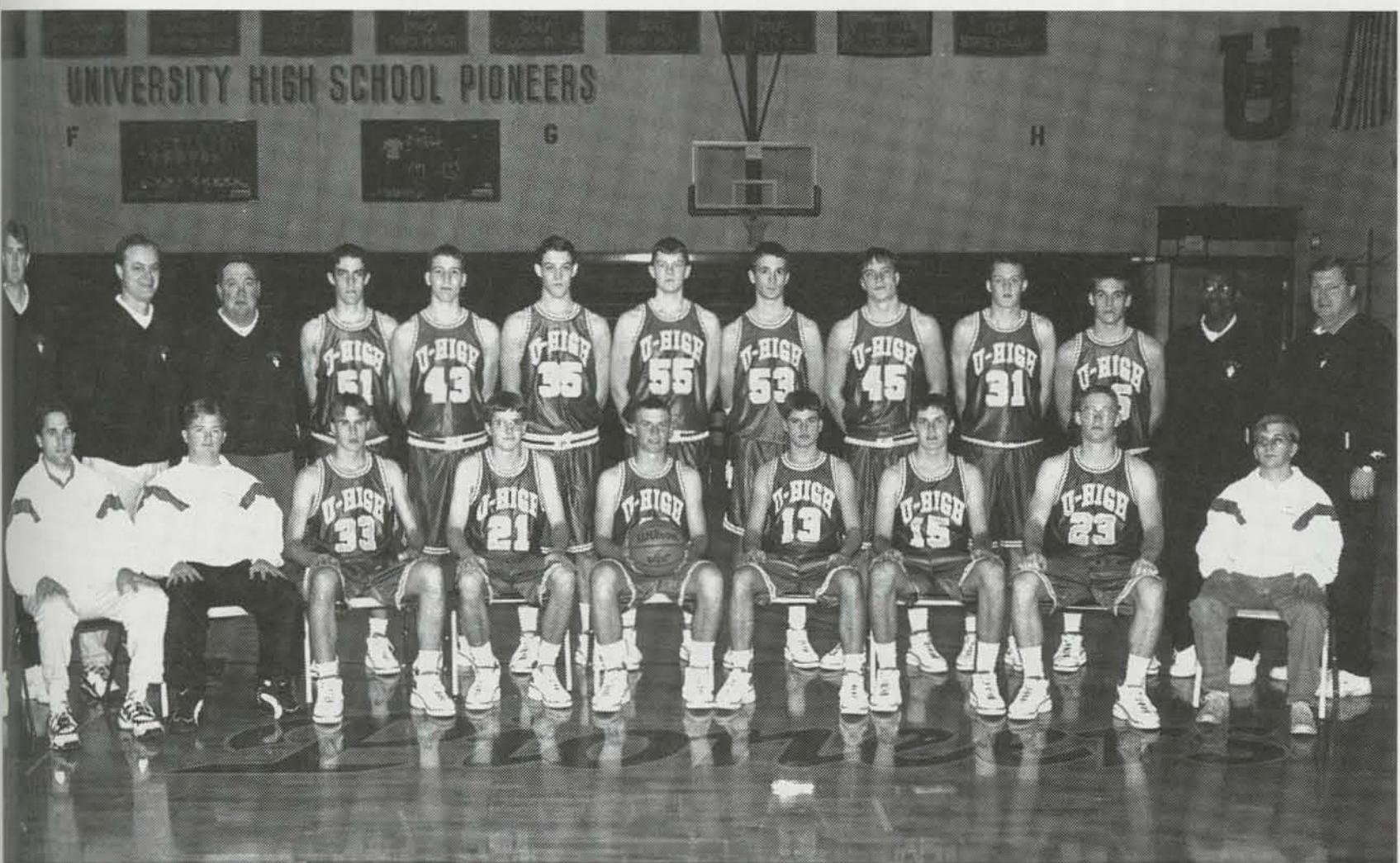
Above: Senior Jeremy Stanton attempts to make a basket over the opposing team.



Above: Sophomore Seth Hubbard makes a shot while the opposing team tries block him. Hubbard is the only sophomore on the varsity team this year.

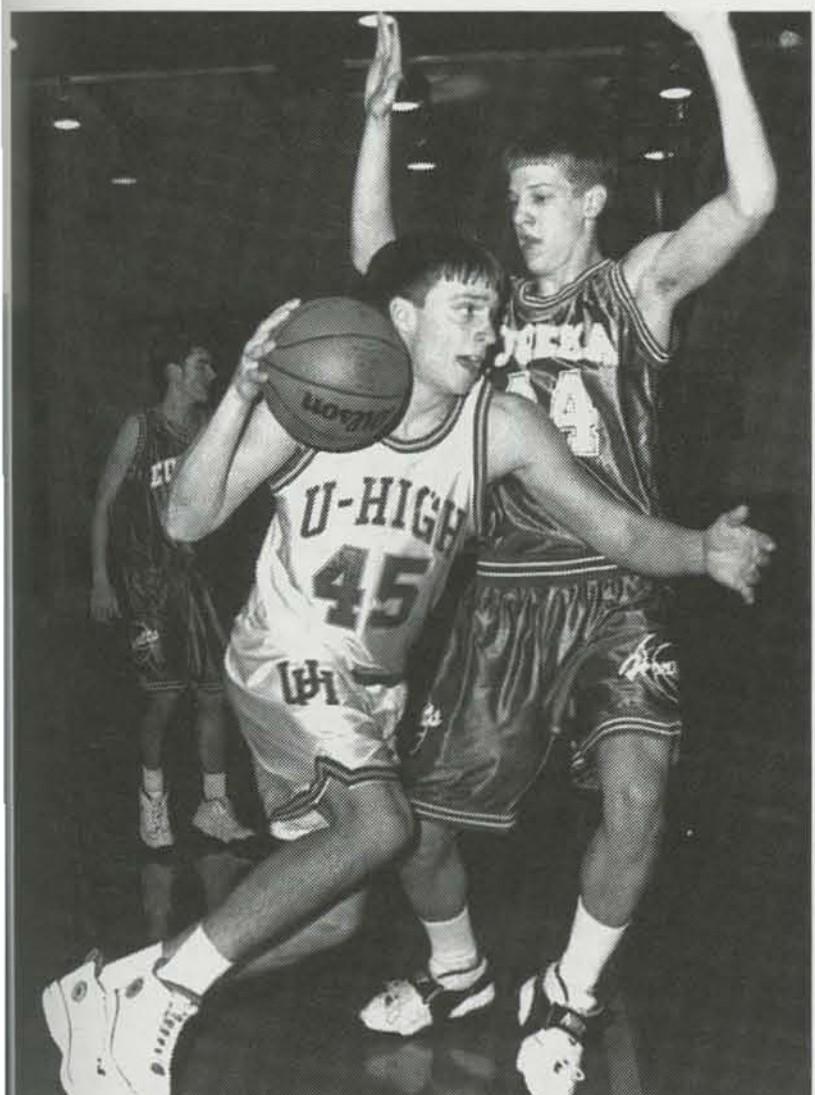
VARSITY BASKETBALL

Row One: Aaron Bareither, Andy Hinthorne, Nick Anderson, Dan Bradley, Lance McMillan, Jon Charles. Row Two: Mark Edmundson, Selby Hubbard, Glenn Leary, David Arnold, Joel Searby, Brandon Dirks, Seth Hubbard, Brian Williams, Jason Halm, Neill Beurskens, Pete Martin, Lester Hampton, Cal Hubbard.



SCOREBOARD

| TEAM | SCORE | W/L | TEAM | SCORE | W/L |
|-------------------|-------|-----|-----------------|-------|-----|
| Mah-Seymour | 66/55 | W | Prairie Central | 61/58 | W |
| Ridgeview | 71/48 | W | Eureka | 79/44 | W |
| Spring. Lanphier | 63/52 | W | Quincy N.Dame | 72/57 | W |
| Chica.St. Gregory | 84/50 | W | C.Catholic | 37/31 | W |
| Hartsburg-Emden | 81/64 | W | Mah-Seymour | 55/51 | W |
| Olympia | 53/49 | W | Peoria N.Dame | 55/54 | W |
| Pontiac | 75/55 | W | | | |



Above: Junior Brandon Dirks goes for one of his famous three pointers to help U-high defeat Eureka.

Left: Junior Jason Halm uses his quick feet to drive the ball past Eureka.



Rebounding to Victory

Basketball team has winning season

By Michelle Natzke

The 1996-97 boys basketball teams started the season off strong and continued through to the end of the season even stronger. Their first game against Mahomet-Seymour gave the Pioneers a good head start with a 66/55 win.

The boys went to Intercity winning three games and loosing only one. They ended up placing second at Intercity. They went to many other tournaments during the season that they placed in. There were three tournaments in general that the Pioneers were champions in; Eureka Regional Tournament, Olympia Sectional Tournament, and U-High Super Sectionals.

The Pioneers went to the State Tournament and won their first game against Madison with a 68/60 win. They lost the second game to Spring Valley Hall and then went into their third game determined to take home a third place trophy. The third game was against St. Francis De Sales. The boys came out with a win, a close 60/59 placing the Pioneers third in State.

Retrieving the Shot

Girl's Basketball Has Another Successful Season

By Jamie Troutman

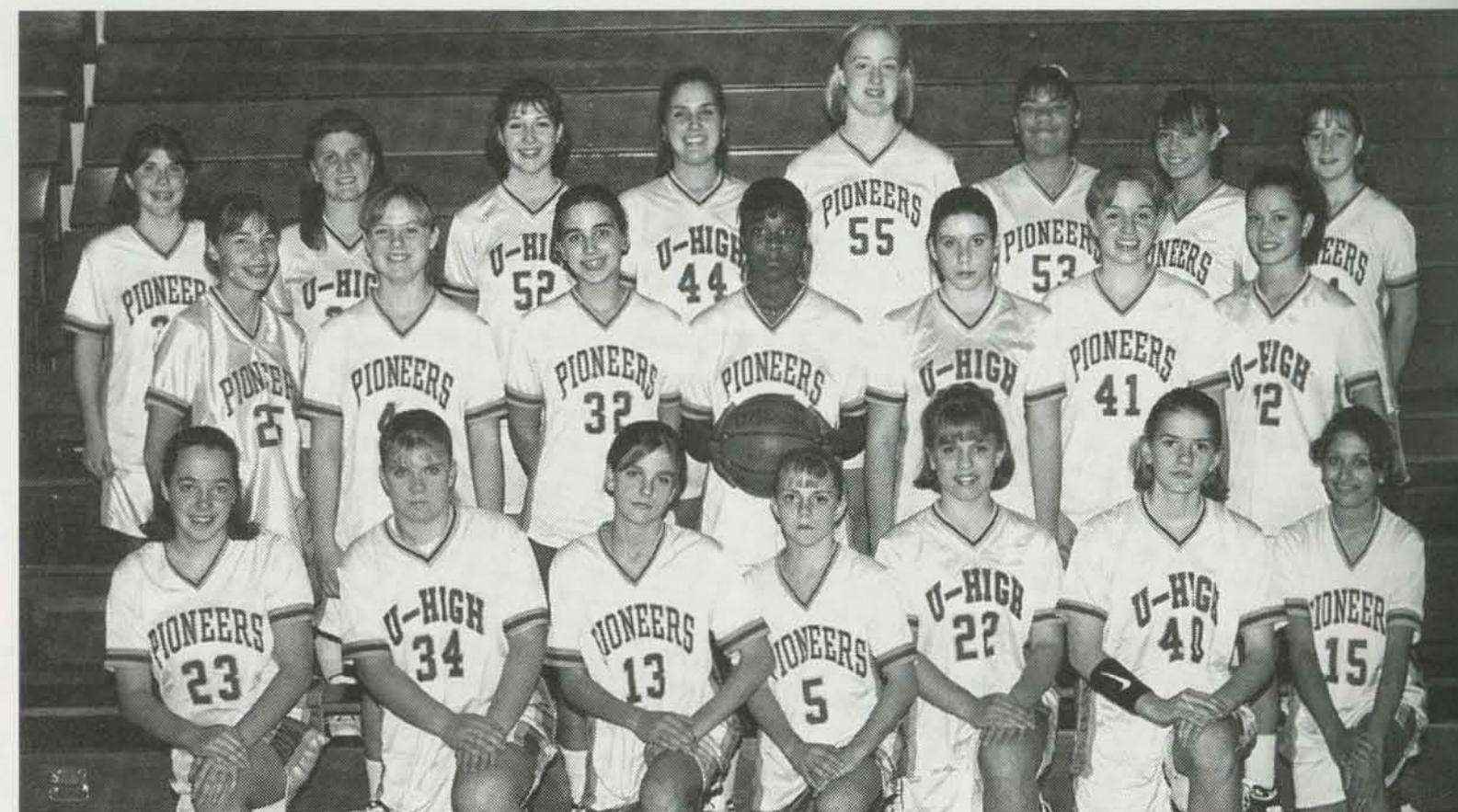
The Lady Pioneers had another successful season with an impressive 24-6 record. The girls started off the season with an Intercity loss to Normal West, but quickly bounced back for a victory over Intercity rival Central Catholic. The ladies ended up taking second place in the Intercity Tournament.

The team had an 8-2 conference record and tied for the first place title which was the fourth conference title in five years. "We knew from the beginning that we were a great team, even though everyone else might not have believed it. So we worked our hardest to turn their heads, and we did it. This shows how much love, determination, and confidence we have for the game and each other," said captain Laura Dwyer. Coach Sondgeroth captured his 150th win during the season.

The pioneers lost in the super-sectionals to Dunlap for a season finish. "We accomplished many things as a team, and everyone of us as varsity players know the true meaning of teamwork," said captain Melanie Shinault.

VARSITY GIRL'S BASKETBALL:

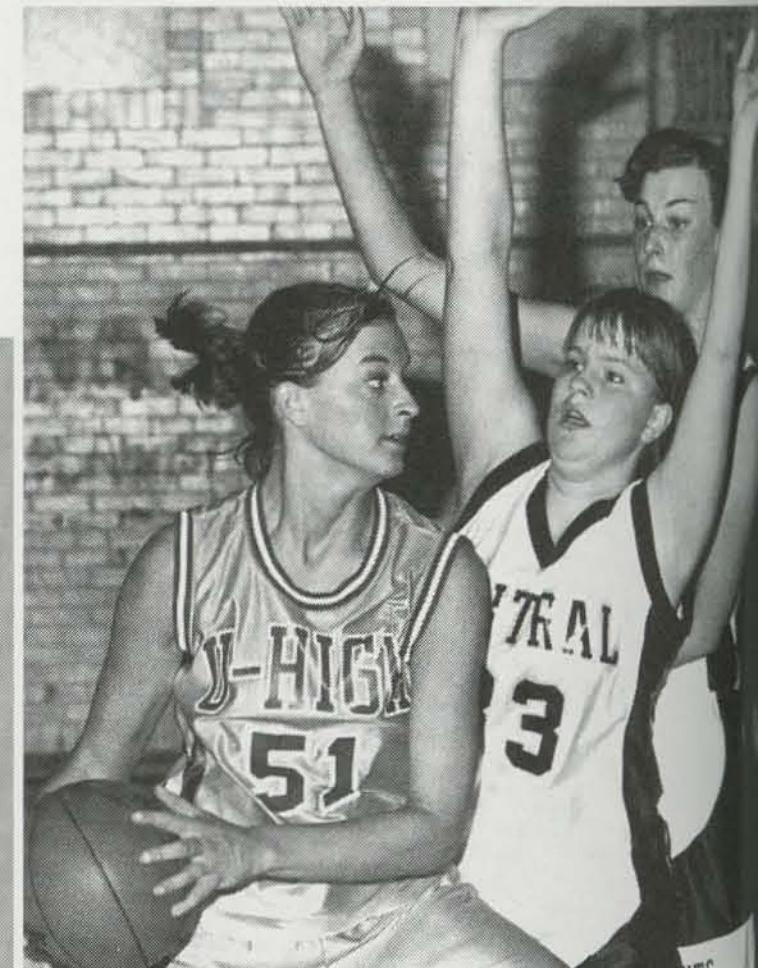
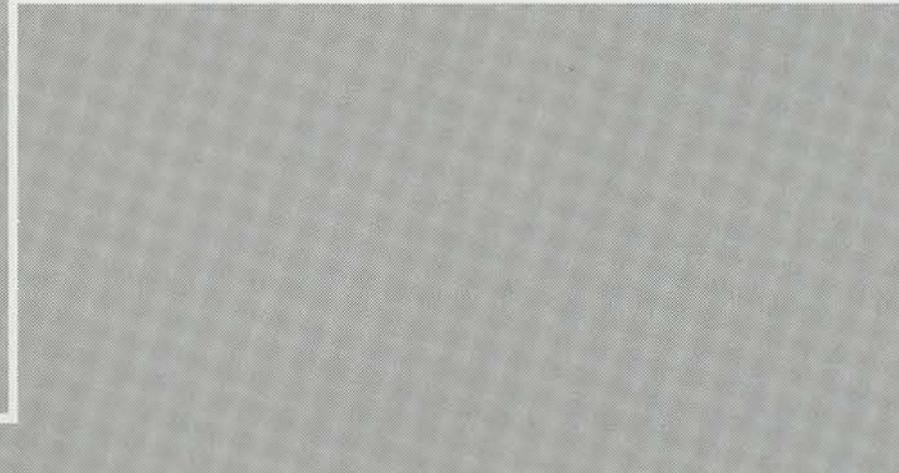
Row One: Coach Jacobs, Melanie Shinault, Judy Yin, Laura Jennings, Sally Straub, Courtney Mapes, Bridget Jones. Row Two: Lindsay Hunt, Lacey Shirk, Susan Bertche, Laura Dwyer, Laura Truttman, Coach Sondgeroth. Row Three: Trainer Nikki, Sarah Johnson, Jodi Lanier, Katie Wright, Sarah Shamess, and Coach Smith.



JUNIOR VARSITY GIRL'S BASKETBALL

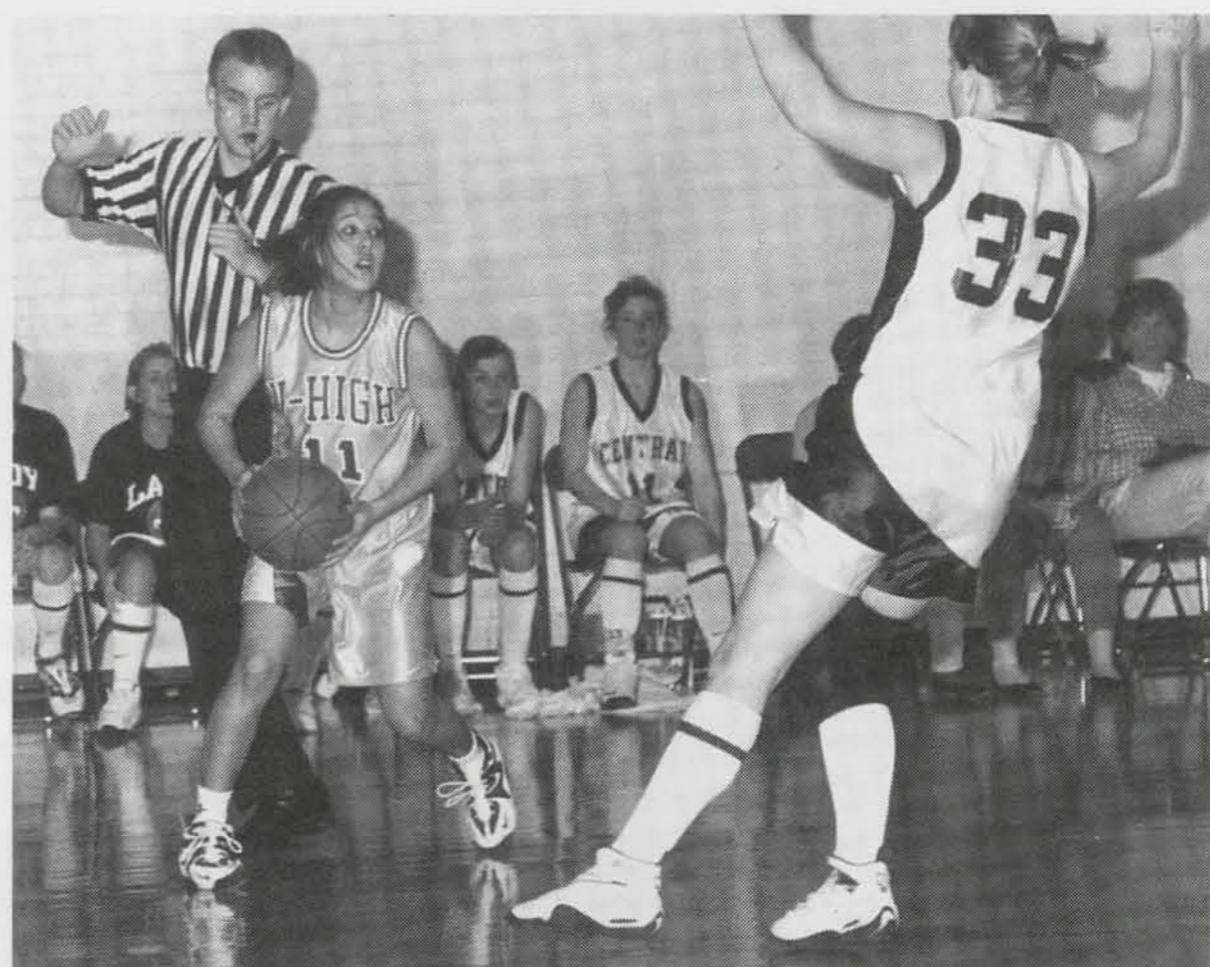
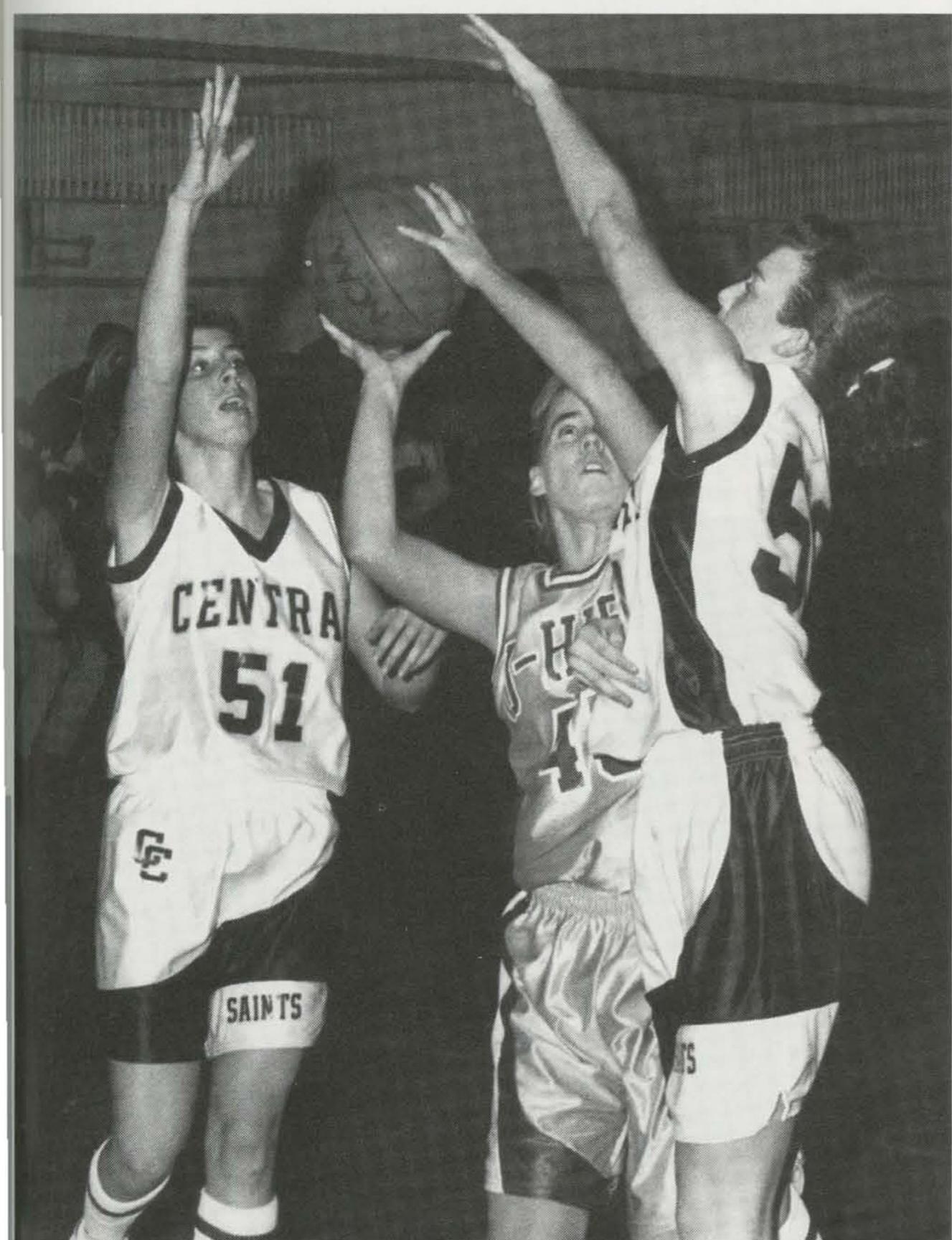
Row One: Tara Worsing, Jenny Geisler, Alix O'Neal, Katie Katz, Sarah Snyder, Celina Padavil. Row Two: Rebecca Garret, Lorelei Penn, Gina Lamonica, Carly Shinault, Anna Chiodo, Wendy Fulton, Kristen Tischhauser. Row Three: Marybeth Richardson, Chaia Van Goethem, Katie Wright, Heidi Roesch, Susan Bertsche, Nedra Hopkins, Jamie Pergory, Natalie Reeser.

Left: Senior Laura Dwyer is ready to pass the ball to a teammate in the U-High Central vatholic inter-city game.



SCOREBOARD

| <u>Game</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>Win\Loss</u> | | | |
|------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|-------|---|
| Normal West | 48-55 | L | Springfield | 65-58 | W |
| Central Catholic | 40-34 | W | Mahomet | 60-26 | W |
| NCHS | 47-51 | L | Olympia | 37-47 | L |
| Bloomington | 38-31 | W | Dunlap | 48-46 | W |
| Prairie Central | 46-21 | W | Central Catholic | 51-30 | W |
| Olympia | 40-42 | L | Eureka | 53-48 | W |
| Tremont | 67-28 | W | Prairie Central | 64-44 | W |
| Olympia | 46-50 | L | Richwoods | 47-38 | W |
| Prairie Central | 51-27 | W | Salem | 44-39 | W |
| Tri-Valley | 45-30 | W | Prairie Central | 64-44 | W |
| Geneva | 49-34 | W | Ridgeview | 61-37 | W |
| Pontiac | 41-30 | W | Tri-Point | 65-51 | W |
| Clinton | 46-43 | W | Dwight | 51-23 | W |
| Ridgeview | 59-28 | W | Dunlap | 52-66 | L |
| Pontiac | 60-46 | W | Total | 24-6 | |



Above: Senior Judy Yin desperately looks for a teammate to pass to while pressured by a Central Catholic opponent.

Left: Double teamed by rival Central Catholic, junior Laura Truttman, had high hopes of is still able to take the shot.

VARSITY FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS:

Row One: Melissa Mickiewicz. Row Two: Lexie Baldocchi, Molly McCambridge. Row Three: Ingrid Kayes, Sara Faber, and Carla James.



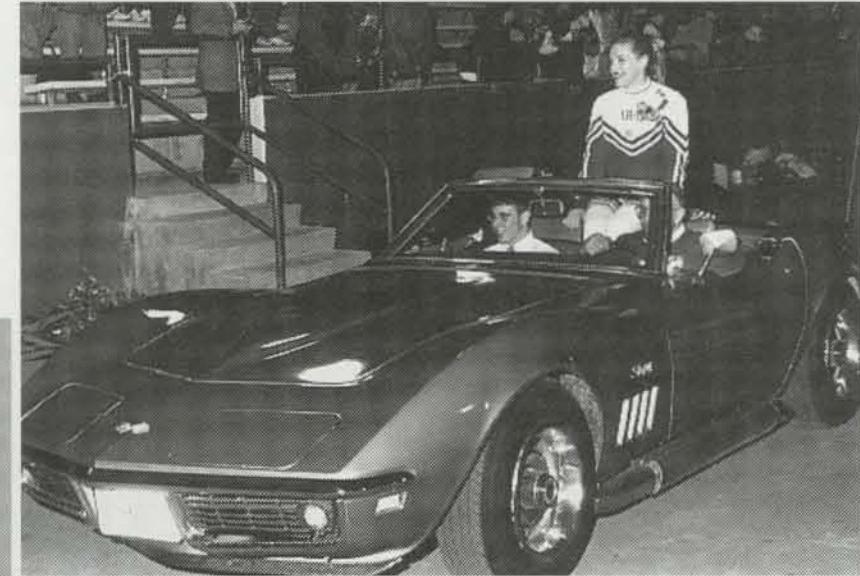
JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS

Row One: Courtney Roetzer, Jessica Cumpston. Row Two: Janie Chan, Elizabeth Fenger, Amanda Sparks. Row Three: Heidi Lott and Sara Kelly.



VARSITY BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS

Row One: Kristy Corbitt, Jenelle Rayford, Angie Davidson. Row Two: Bridget Nord, Molly McCambridge, Kristi Witherow. Row Three: Ingrid Kayes, Kara Whitecotton, Lexie Baldocchi and Carla James.

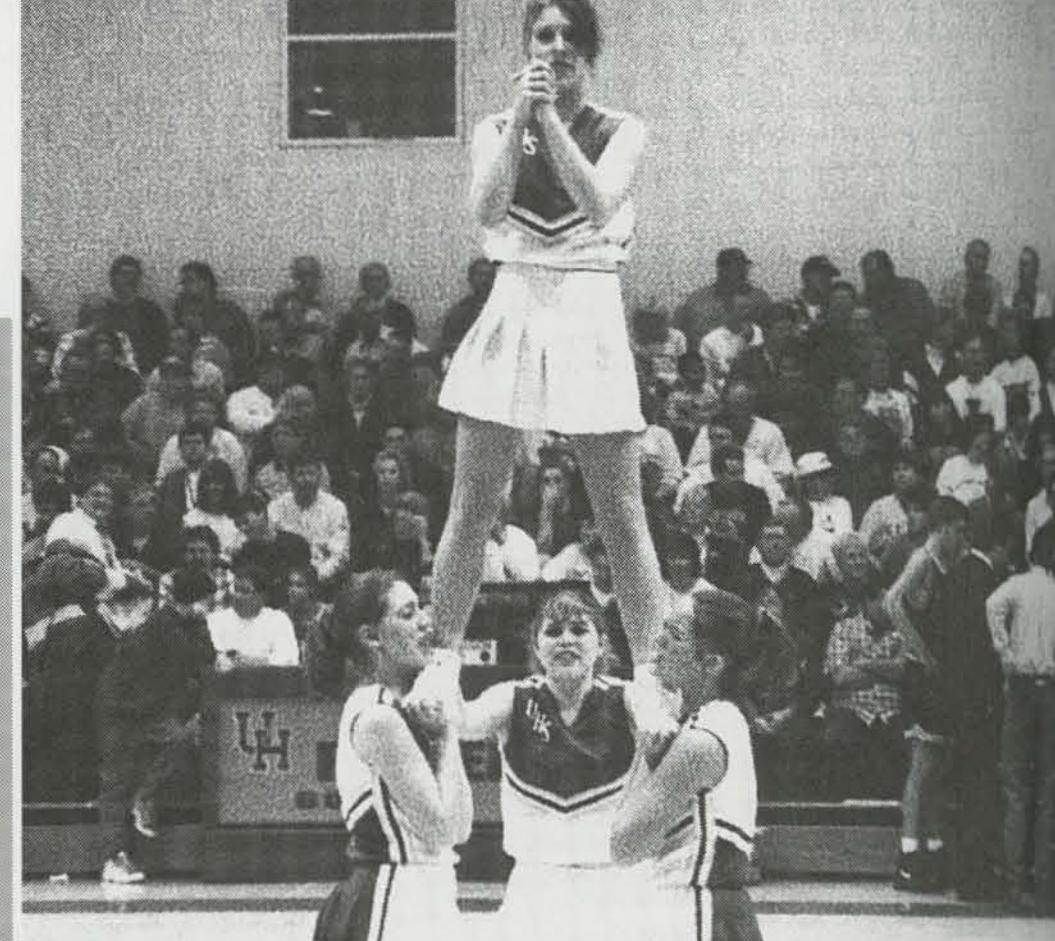


Above: Varsity cheerleader Molly McCambridge rides out in style during the half time announcement of the 1996 Homecoming Court.

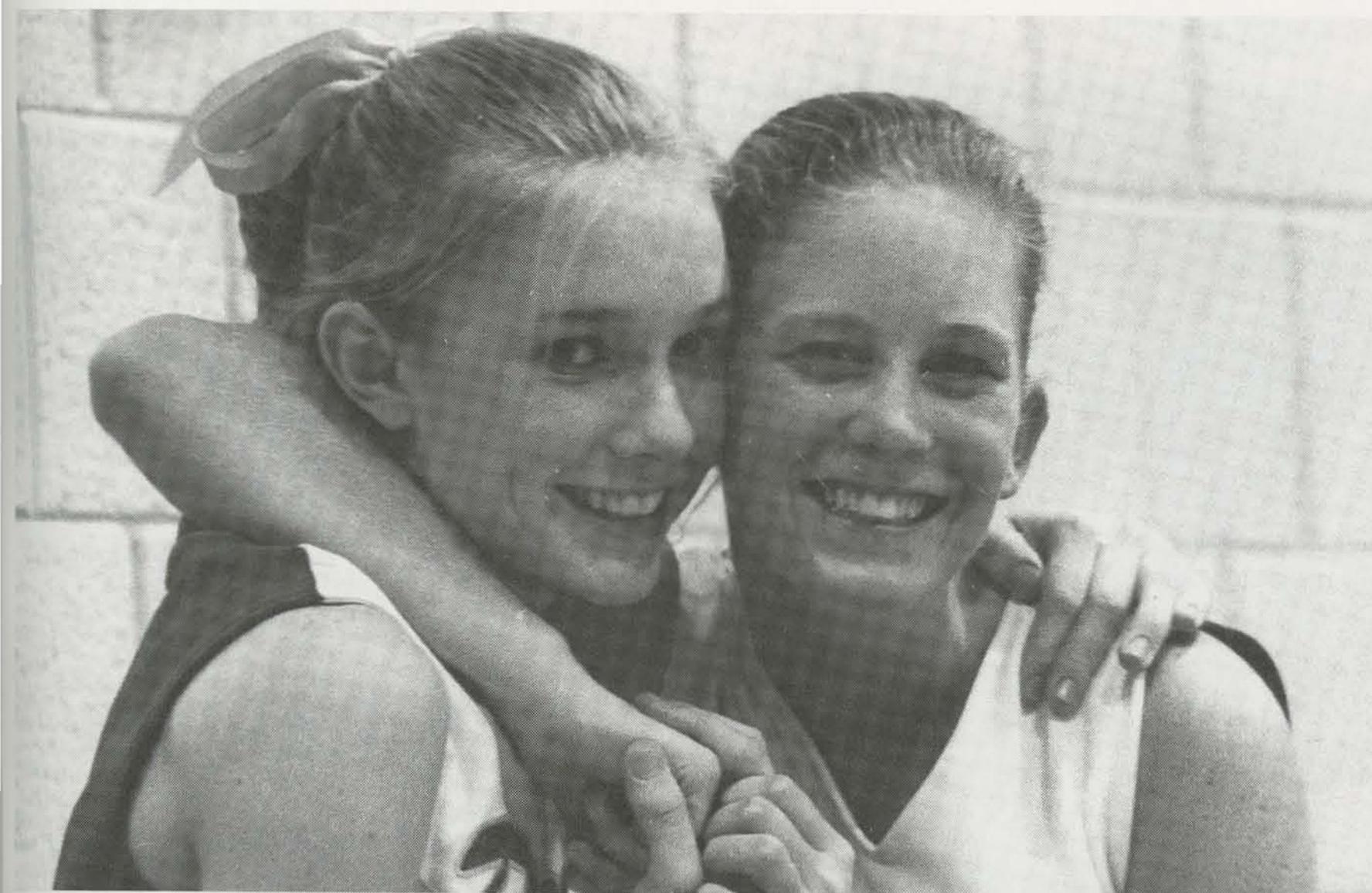
Right: Cheerleader's rev up the U-High student body during a pep assembly.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS

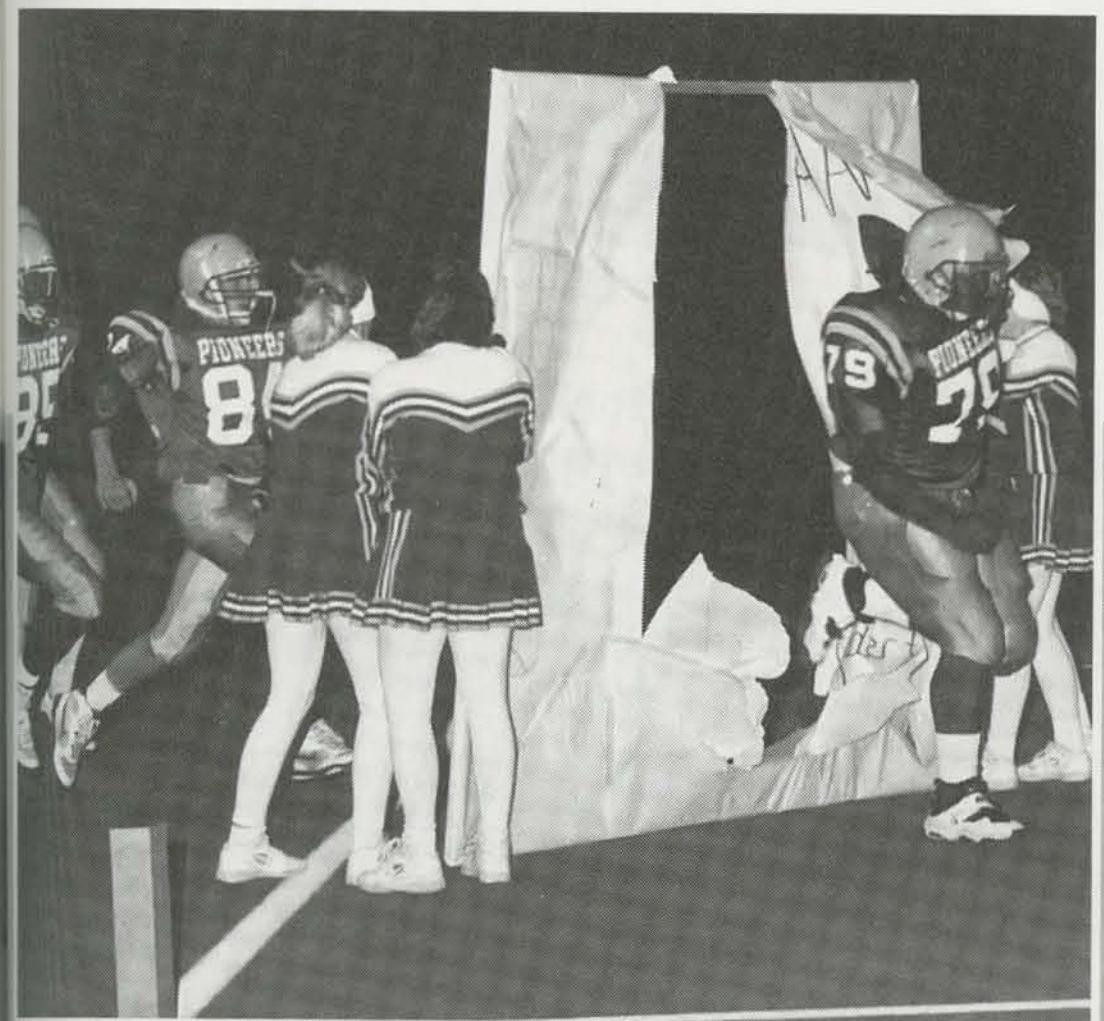
Row One: Jesica Cumpston, Brooke McCullen. Row Two: Shannon Sparks, Emily Koglin, Courtney Roetzer. Row Three: Tina Grusinski, Elizabeth Fenger, Heidi Lott and Jennifer Brown.



Below: Friends and fellow varsity cheerleaders Kristy Corbitt and Bridget Nord, both juniors, take a moment from the Homecoming Pep Assembly to offer each other a supportive hug.



Above: Basketball cheerleaders sophomore Kara Whitecotton, juniors Bridget Nord and Ingrid Kayes, senior Molly McCambridge, juniors Kristy Corbitt and Lexie Baldocchi, sophomores Jenelle Rayford and Jessica Cumpston, senior Kristi Witherow and junior Carla James, enthusiastically celebrate the boy's third place victory at the State Tournament at Carver Arena.



Left: The varsity football Cheerleaders hold the run-through sign while football players charged through at the Homecom-

Cheerleading Review

U-High finishes sixth in state competition

By Sarah Johnson

The 1996-1997 cheerleading season provided to be a successful one for the girls. The cheerleaders had the opportunity to cheer for either or both boys football and basketball as individual sports. In previous years, cheerleaders were forced to dedicate two seasons, while only receiving one letter.

The squad hosted a competition, placed in the Kincaid Competition, and in State. Bridget Nord said, "It felt great to make U-High history! Going to State was a huge accomplishment!" In order to make it to State, the squad competed in regionals held by the Illinois Cheerleaders Coaches Association. "A lot of practice went into the competition," said Laurie Kammin, the cheerleading coach. "The girls dedicated at least 40 hours of work, including Saturdays." The routine for competition was to three pieces of music by ---and was created by the girls.

Recovering the Score

Girls soccer cheer themselves

By Lacey Shirk

U-H-I-I-G-H, U-High, U-High, yea was a cheer chanted by the U-High girls soccer team and fans after each Pioneer goal and at the end of each came victory. With 13 wins this cheer was heard many times this season. Being only its second year, the girls surprised many on how successful they have been. "As a team we played with a lot of heart and the new players were very helpful. Overall, I'd say it was a great season and next year should be even better," said Angie Davidson. The Lady Pioneers faced many challenges this year and proving many people wrong. As only a second year team, they will have all but two players returning next year, plus their leading scorer, transfer student Shara Koch, will be back. "The season unfortunately ended early with a regional loss to Normal Community, but we will be back next year, better than ever," said Bridget Nord.

VARSITY

Row One: Caroline Skaggs, Kristy Ritacco, Rachel Crider, Melissa Mercier, Susan Grotbo, Bridget Nord Row Two: Asst. Coach Tiffany Alabastro, Jessica Hanlon, Kim Mathile, Nicole Niebur, Jenny Rohren, Shara Koch, Angie Davidson, A.J. Cunningham Row Three: Asst. Coach Ed O'Dwyer, Megan Thompson, Lauren Weber, Jodi Lanier, Julia Fiergolla, Jamie Thompson, Coach Scott Froelich



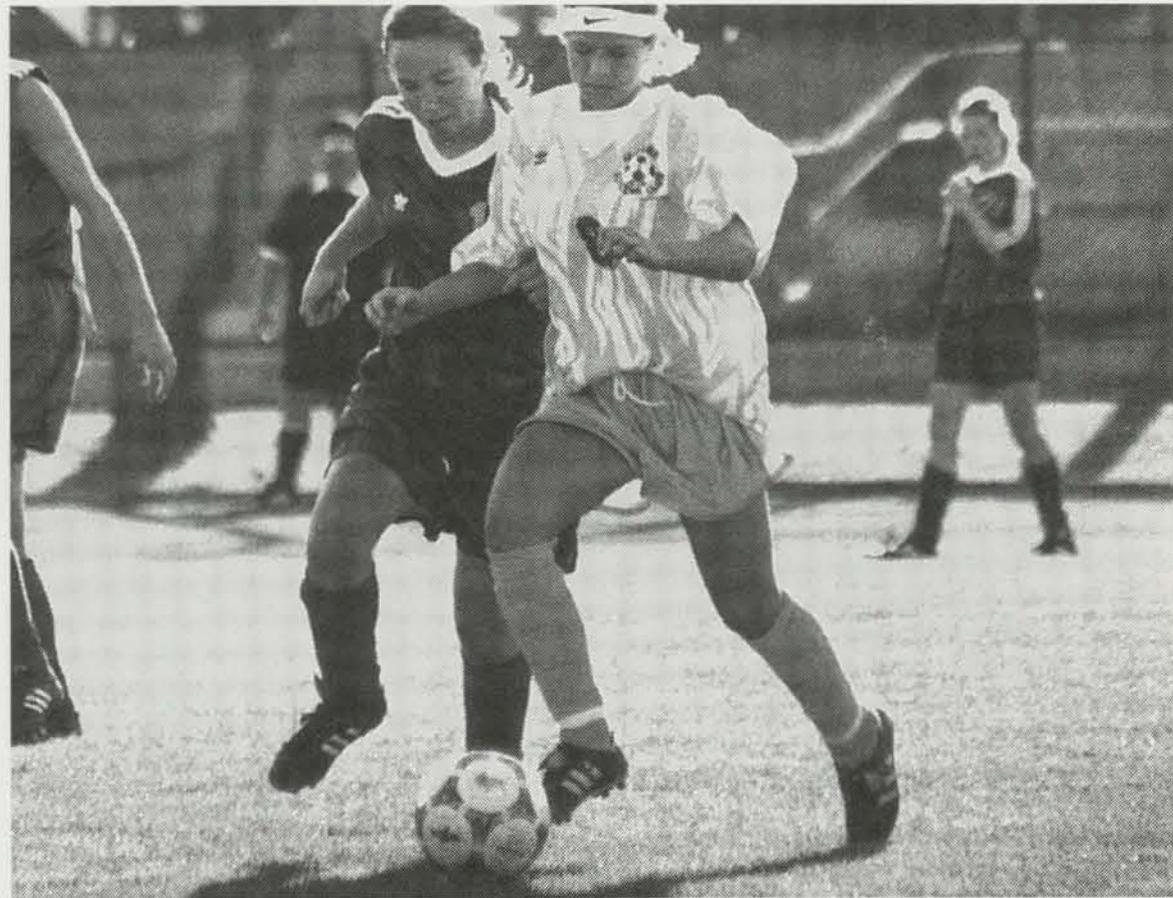
JUNIOR VARSITY

Row One: Emily Groves, Christine Yee, Rachel Crider, Tory Schoellart, Catie Curry Row Two: Asst. Coach Tiffany Alabastro, Kou Hsin Lian, Isabel Reyes, Lacy Penn, Anna Chiodo, Courtney Roetzer, Jenny Hall, Alix O'Neil, Erica Cunningham, A.J. Cunningham Row Three: Asst. Coach Ed O'Dwyer, Erin O'Connor, Agnieska Stadnik, Elizabeth Fenger, Ally Beck, Stefanie Lovelass, Kristen Tischauser, Maile Simpson, Emily Koglin, Jen Blass, Coach Scott Froelich

Below: Friends on and off the field, juniors Caroline Skaggs and Jodi Lanier take a break from soccer to enjoy the snow. Early in the season the team was surprised with heavy snowfall during one of their games.



Below: Junior Angie Davidson battles against a Bloomington defender. The game determined the intercity champion and unfortunately, the Pioneers fell to a 3-0 defeat.

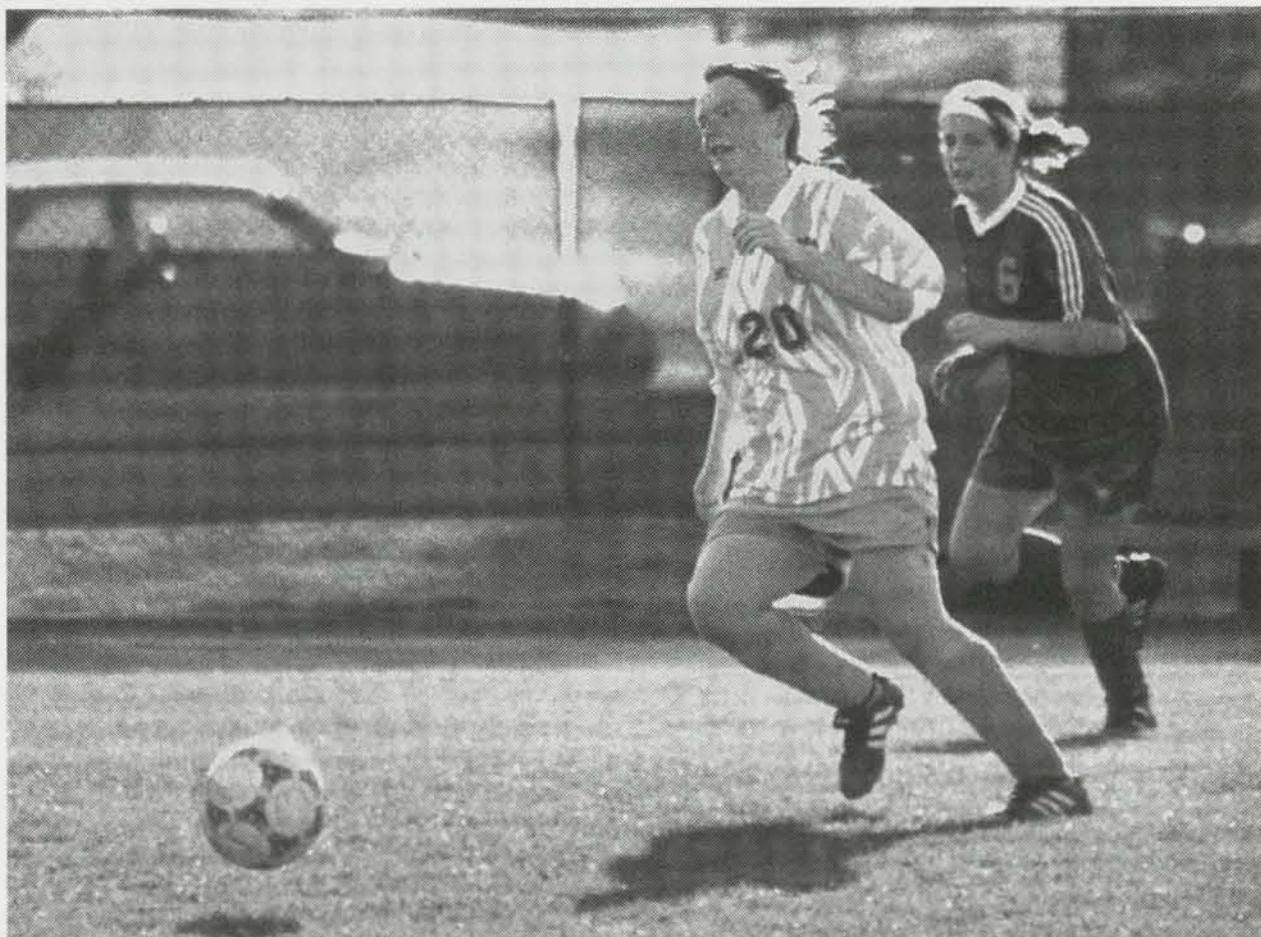


SCOREBOARD

| Game | U-High | Opponent |
|----------------------|--------|----------|
| Metamora | 5 | 0 |
| NCWHS | 3 | 1 |
| Uni High | 6 | 0 |
| Herscher | 5 | 0 |
| Urbana | 1 | 3 |
| Williamsville | 2 | 0 |
| Springfield Ursuline | 2 | 0 |
| Dunlap | 0 | 3 |
| Champaign Central | 3 | 0 |
| Morton | 2 | 4 |
| Bloomington | 0 | 3 |
| Washington | 4 | 1 |
| Champaign Cenntenial | 10 | 0 |
| Lincoln | 4 | 1 |
| Decatur St. Theresa | 9 | 0 |
| Mahomet | 4 | 0 |
| NCHS | 1 | 2 |
| Post Season | | |
| Springfield Ursaline | 3 | 1 |
| NCHS | 1 | 7 |

Above right: Senior Julia Firgola works to set up the perfect scoring opportunity. Firgola joined the team this year as a foreign exchange student from Germany. Her efforts helped the Pioneers reach a 13-6 season record.

Right: Coach Scott Froelich gives sophomore captain, Nicole Niebur, some inspiring words of advice. Froelich began the girls soccer program at U-High and is unable to return next year for a thrid successful season.



Recalling the Finish Line

Boys and girls track run for a winning season

By Dana Grzeskowiak

The boys and girls Track teams led off with a successful season. Both teams started off slow in order to build up to State potential.

Coaches Lester Hampton and Chris Jelks trained the boys, while the girls had Coach Kurt Christenson and newcomer, Coach Michelle Hoffman.

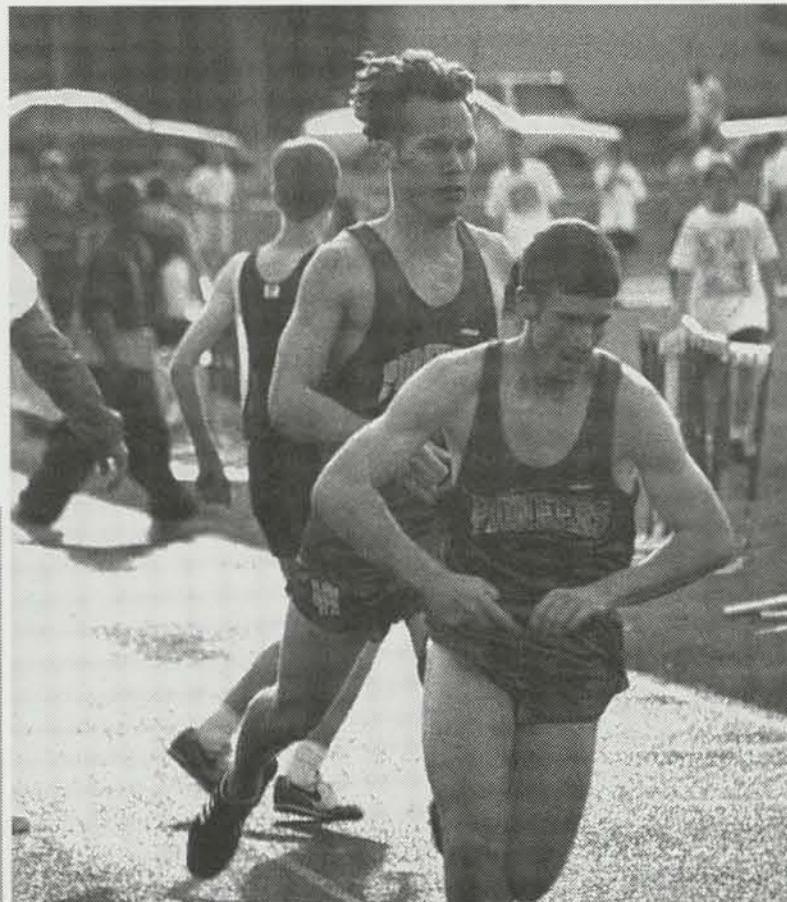
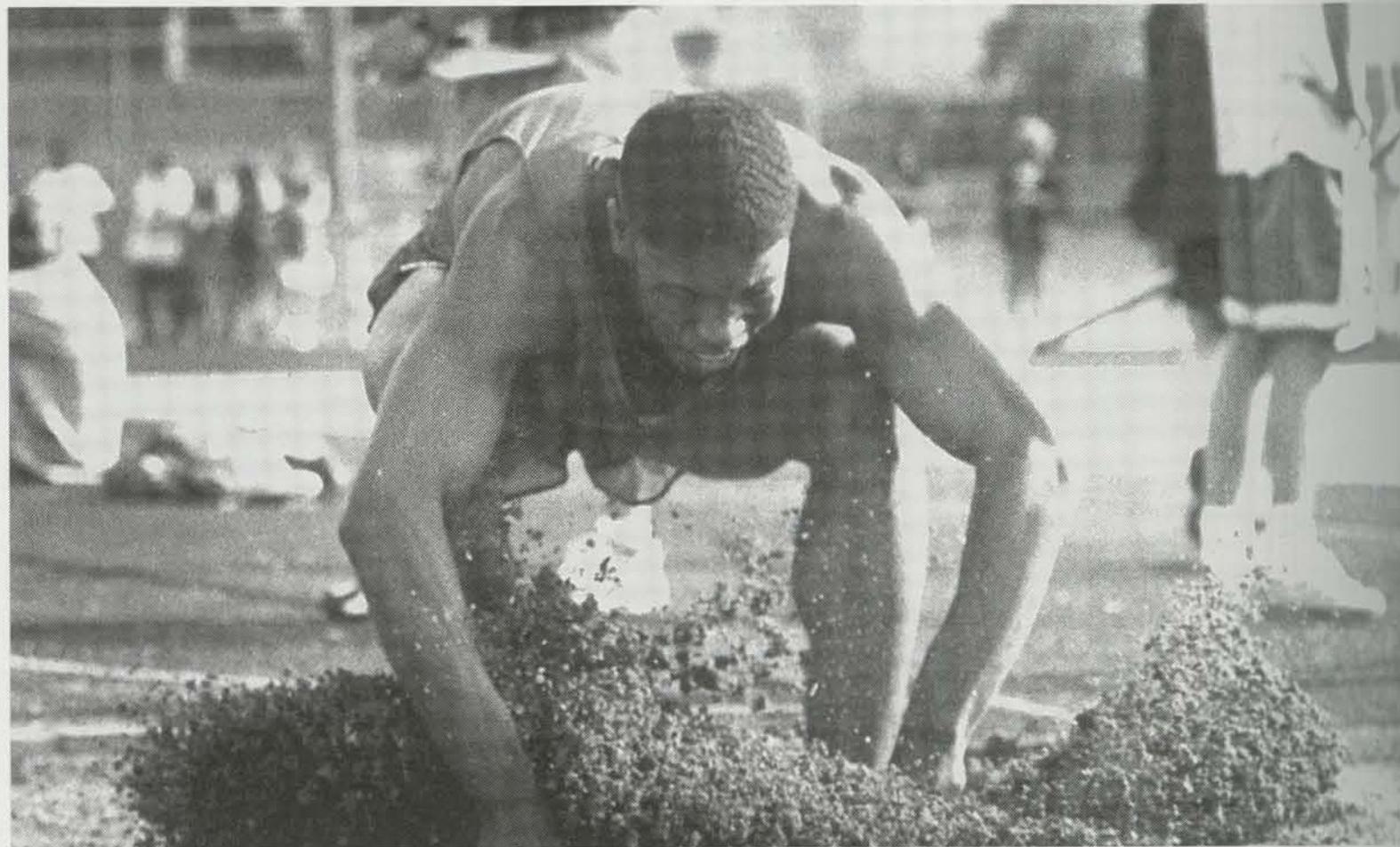
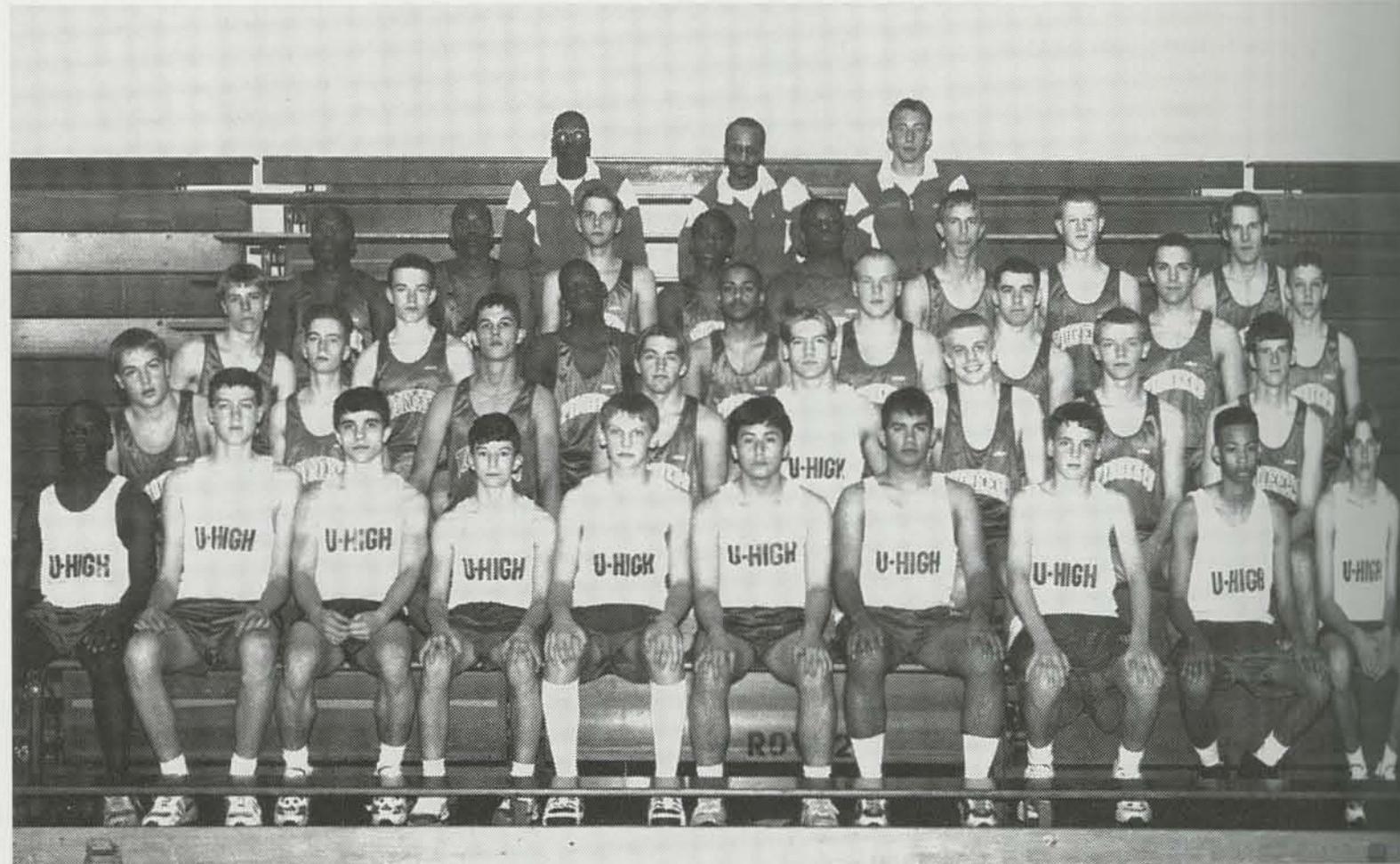
Throughout the season the teams was constantly dealing with pressure due to the fact that the boys team sent ten people to State last year. "We always want to do well, but at the same time have fun," said Rinesola Adelekan.

The girls team was sufficiently smaller this year. Despite that the team worked incredibly well together. Sophomore Susan Bertche is just one example; she began her season with a record of 103.8 discus throw.

Both track teams represented U-high to its fullest and that is more honorable than any metal.

BOYS TRACK

Row One: Rinesola Adelekan, Tim Beccue, Eric Diaz, Brandon Younge. Row Two: Jamie Bills, Chris Blume, Mike Nelson, Bryan Corbitt, Scott Powell. Row Three: Gabe Hamer, Vince Barrows, Ricky Hildreth, Tom Benjamin, John Donovan, Andy Golomb, Brett Maple. Row Four: Chris Murphy, Wes Shinault, Brandon Fifer, Aaron Guzman, Mike Lockhart, Some Joe Kramp, Mark Moon. Row Six: Coach Hampton, Coach Jelks.



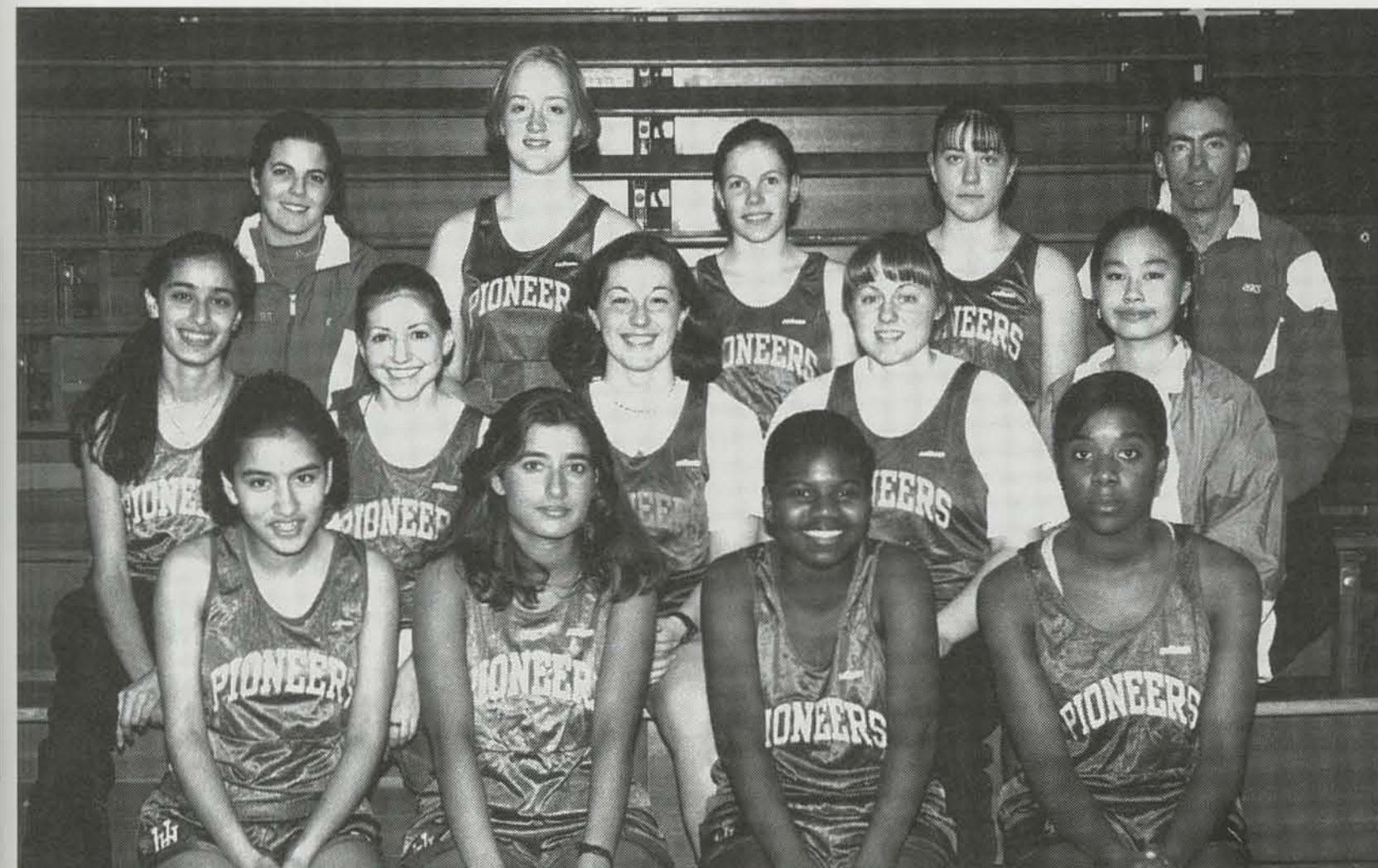
Above Center: Senior Mike Lockhart lands successfully in the dirt during the long jump.

Above: Senior Mark Moon passes the baton to Sophomore Scott Powell at the meet.

Above: U-high track members vault over the high jump with the greatest of ease.

GIRLS TRACK

Row One: Ruby Kahn, Melanie Shinault. Row Two: Nidhi Puri, Some, Kelli Pydynowski, Amy Magarity, Sara Chan. Row Three: Coach Hoffman, Susan Bertsche, Rebecca Goodwin, Courtney Mapes, Coach Christenson.

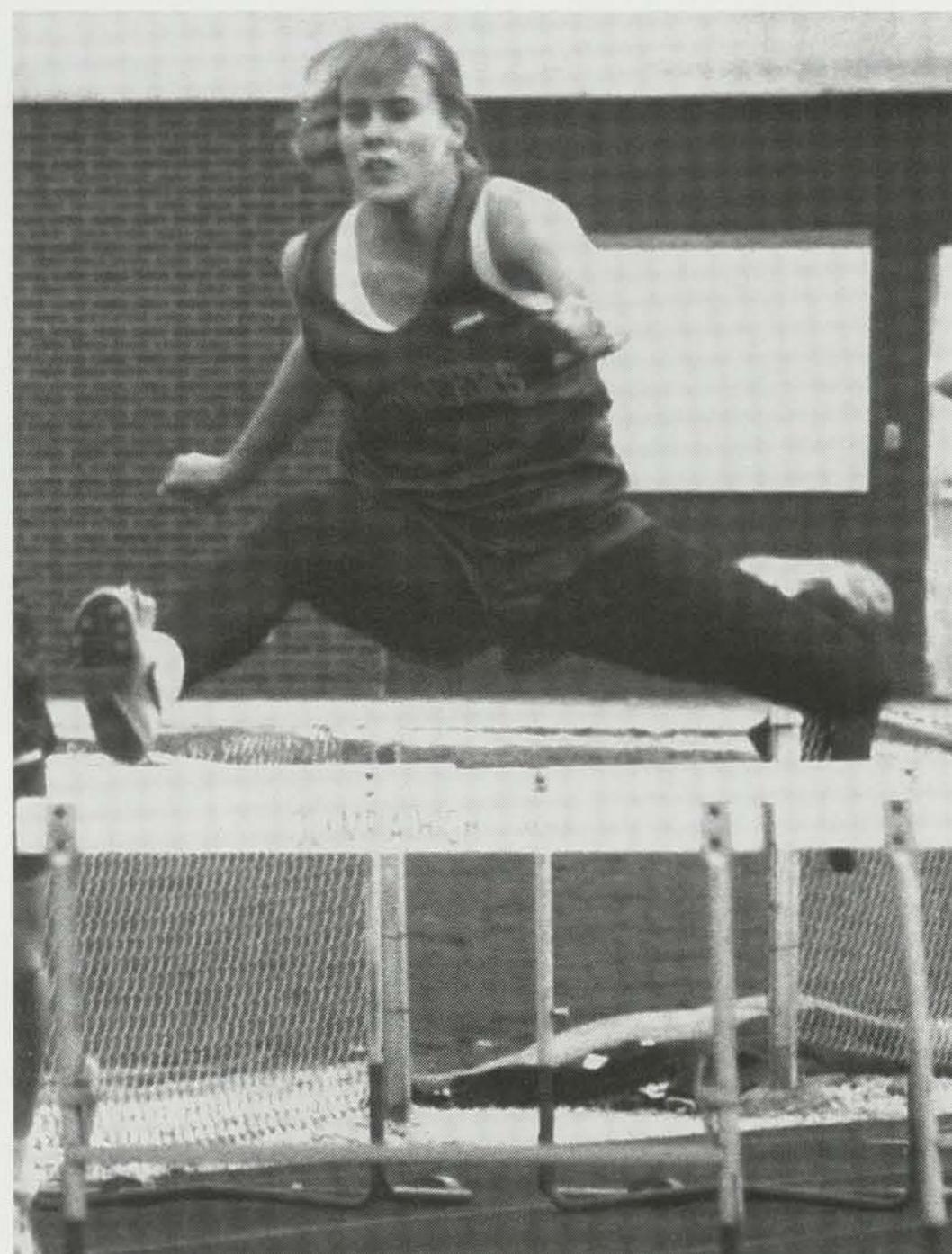


Below: Junior Tina Yang passes the baton to her teammate.



SCOREBOARD

| <u>MEET</u> | <u>PLACE</u> | <u>SCORE</u> |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| BOYS: | | |
| Midland Inv. | 296 | W |
| Monmouth Inv. | 314 | W |
| Livingston County Inv. | 330 | W |
| Havana Inv. | 304 | L |
| Intercity | 616 | W |
| Galesburg Inv. | 312 | L |
| GIrlS: | | |
| Taylorville Inv. | 331 | L |
| Regional | 322 | W |
| Sectional | 319 | W |
| State | 627 | W |

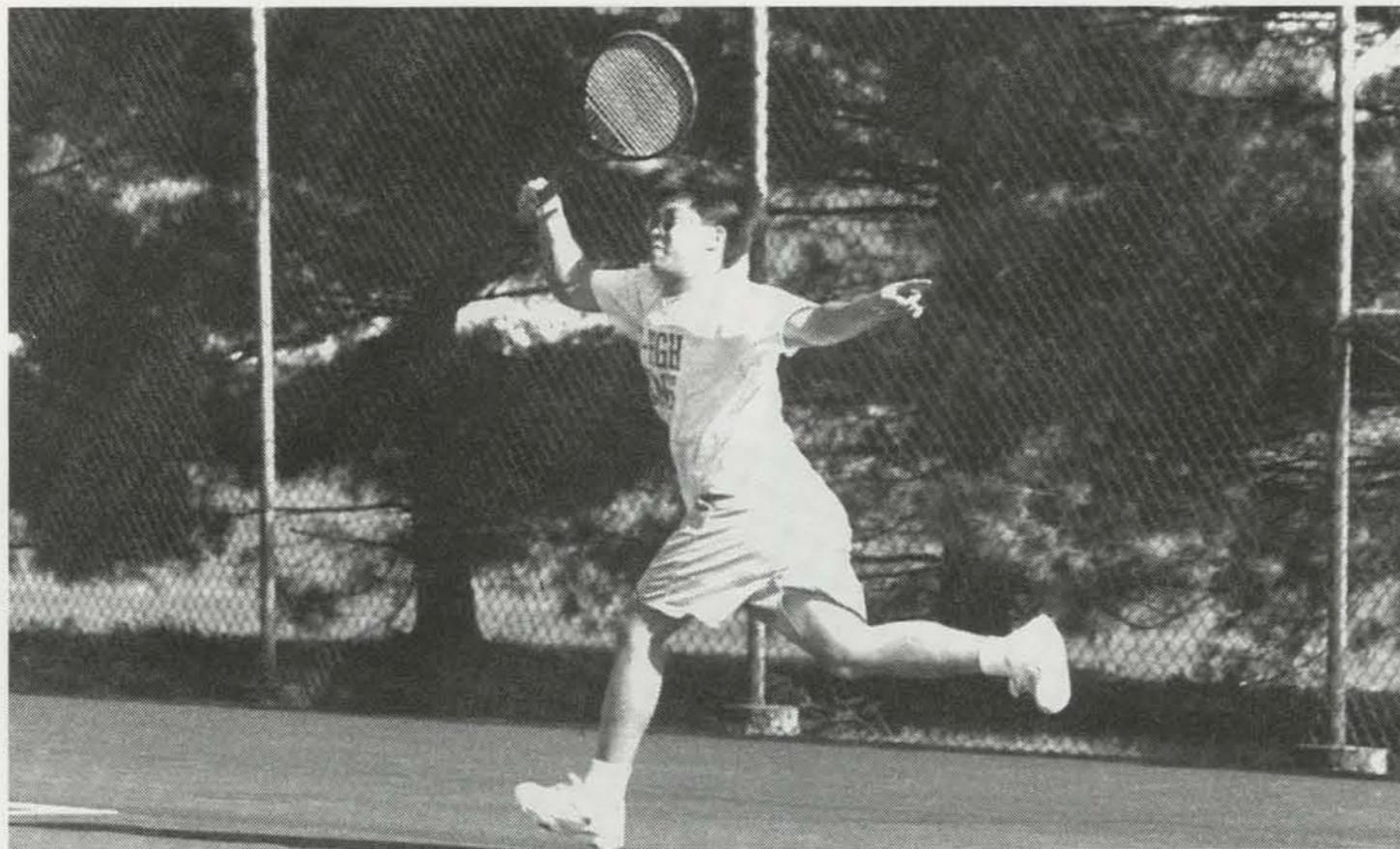


Above: Junior Laura Truttman gracefully leaps over the hurdle to victory.

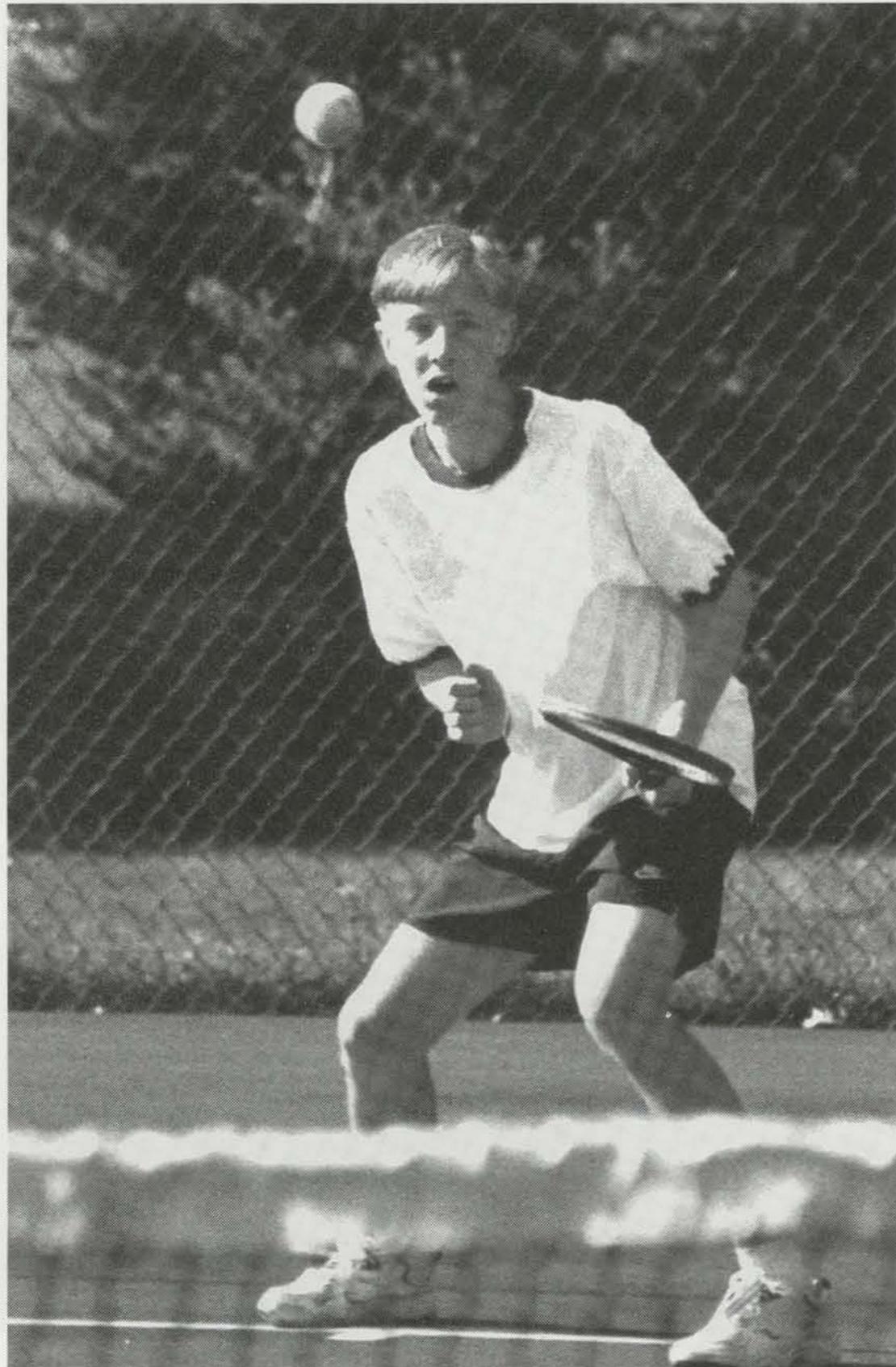


Left: Senior Melanie Shinault drops into the muddy ground after completing the long jump.

Below: Senior John Kim runs stylishly down the court to return a serve. Kim was one of the five top varsity players to be on the team this season.

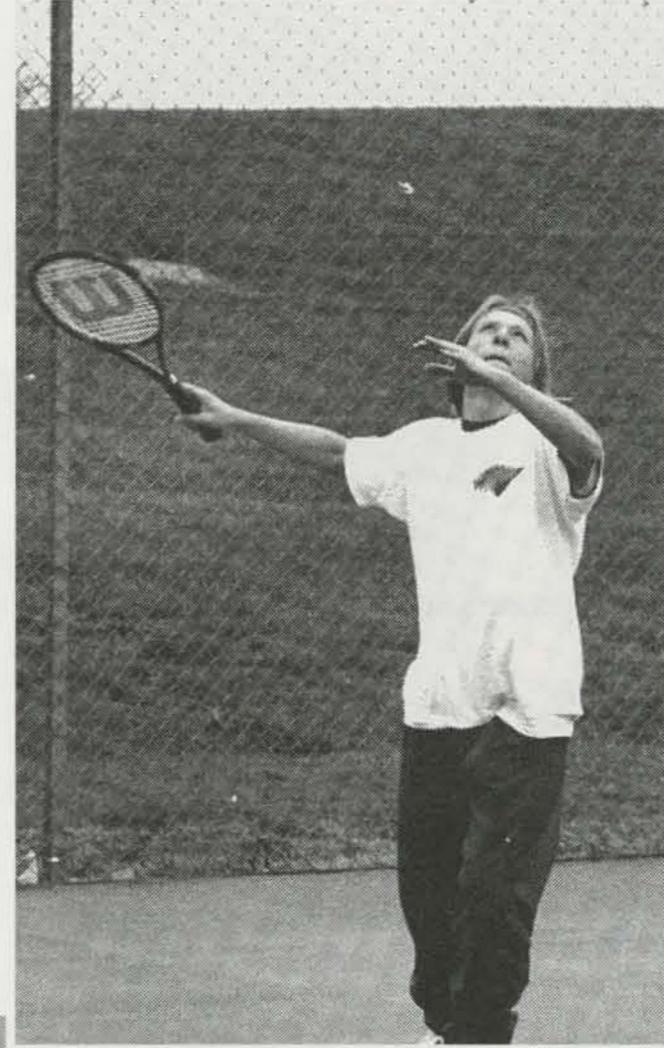
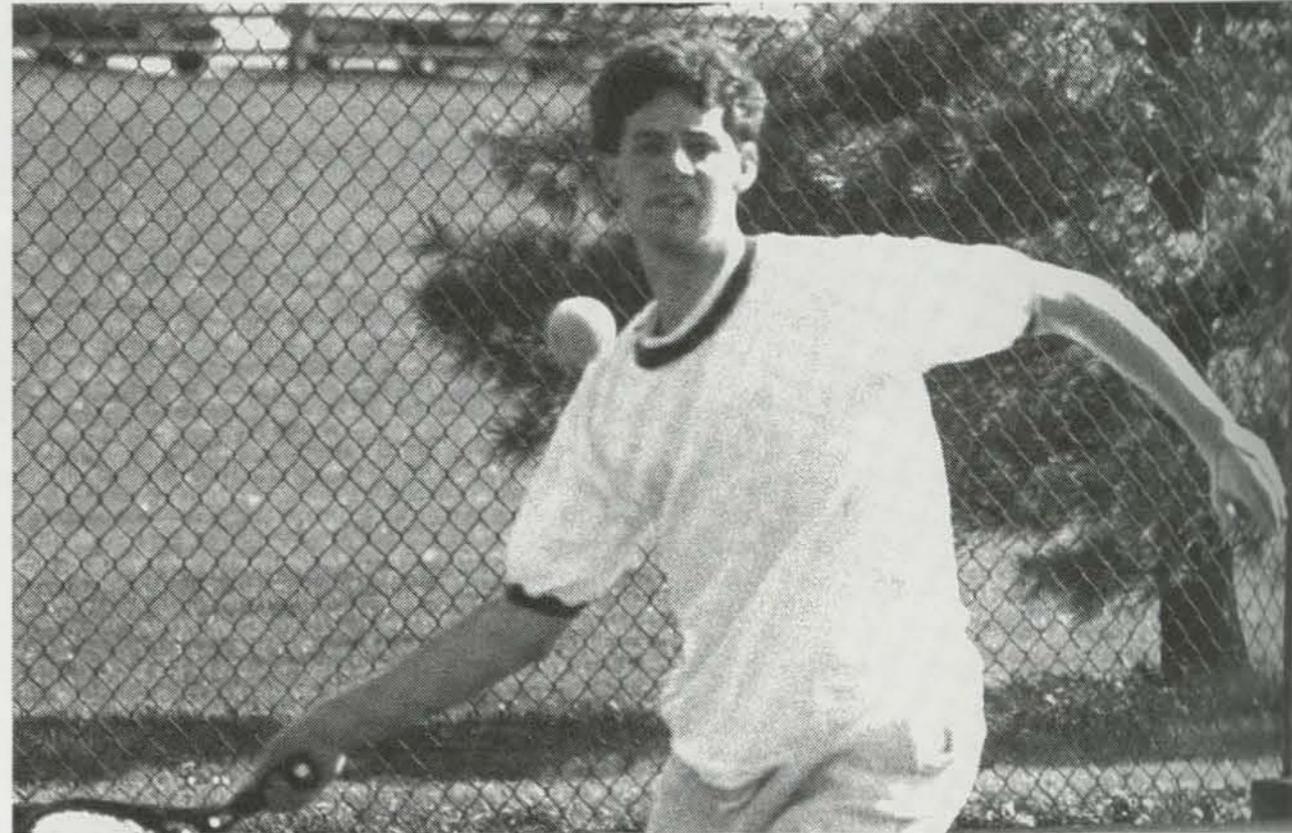


Below: Senior Dan Kang serves the tennis ball to his opponent. It was Kang's first year playing on the U-High varsity team.



Above: Senior Greg Stephens positions himself to take the shot. This year will be Stephens fourth year on the tennis team.

Above Center: Junior Jim Sallee focuses on the ball before sending it back to his opponent. Sallee was captain for the varsity team and a letter winner.



Above: Junior Andrew Lutze throws the ball high to send it sailing over the net. Lutze was a transfer student, making this his first year with the tennis team.



Above: Junior Jim Sallee throws a high forehand over his shoulder.

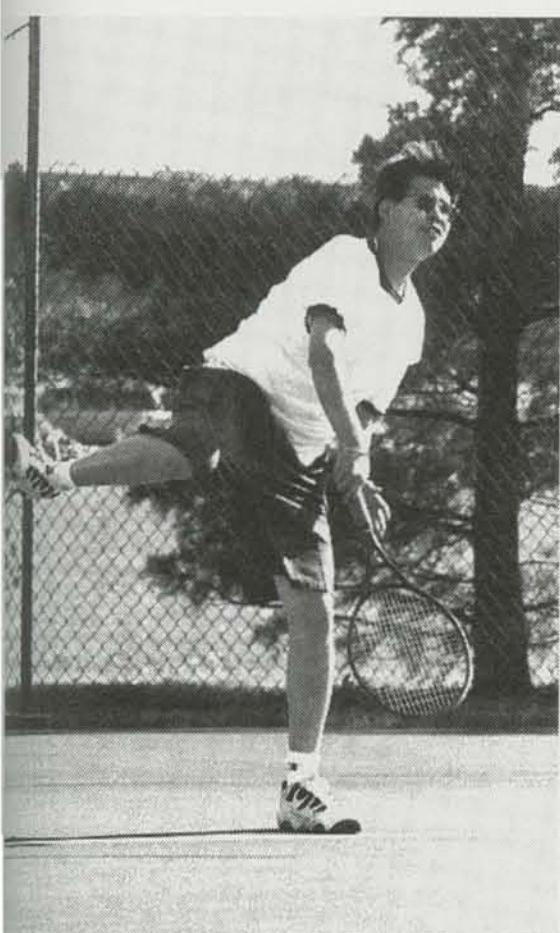
BOY'S TENNIS

Row One: Justin Penn, Matt Bradley, Mark Campbell, Jeff Yeagle. Row Two: Delsin Padavil, John Shuyler, Rehan Ahmed, Matt Stephens, Dan Kang, John Kim, Greg Stephens, Brian Hajek. Row Three: Maggie Warner, Jay Powell, Sohal Patel, Matt Ettcheson, Nate Romance, Andrew Lutze, Casey Motamedy, Matt Snder, David Phillips, Coach Jon Michaels.



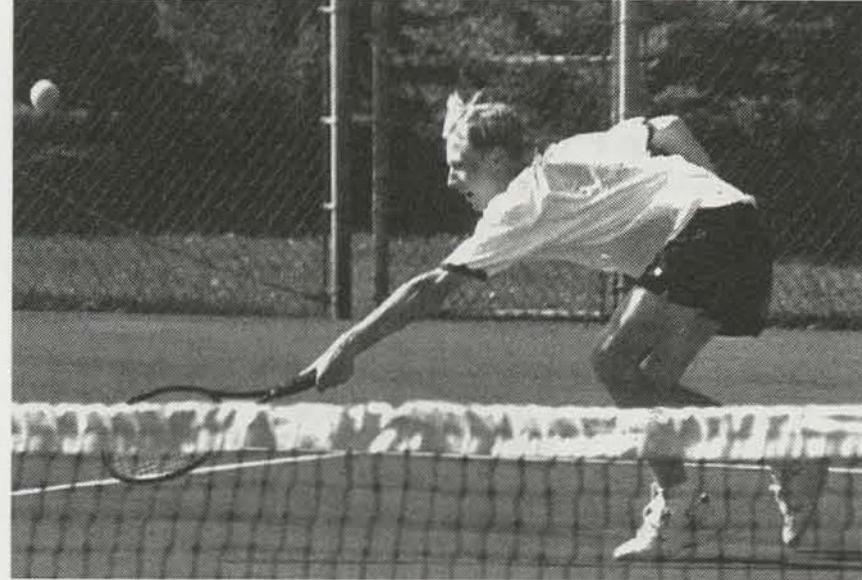
SCOREBOARD

| TEAM | SCORES | WIN/LOSE | TEAM | SCORES | WIN/LOSE |
|------------|--------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|
| C.Catholic | 4-5 | L | Washing. | 6-3 | W |
| Pontiac | 7-2 | W | Normal W. | 4-5 | L |
| Lincoln | 3-2 | W | Normal | 2-7 | L |
| Rantoul | 4-1 | W | Pontiac | 6-0 | W |
| St.Bede | 6-3 | W | Lincoln | 7-2 | W |
| Urbana | 2-7 | L | Morton | 2-7 | L |



Above: Senior Greg Stephens reaches for every last inch to save the ball. Stephens' doubles partner was senior Dan Kang.

Left: Senior Dan Kang displays his unusual, but effective, method of preparing for the return of the tennis ball.



Re-serv-ing a Smashing Season

Boys Tennis reclaims another year

By Dana Grzeskowiak

Boy's Tennis stretched its boundaries this year with a great Varsity team. Among the top five were Jim Sallee, Dan Kang, Greg Stephens, John Kim, and Brian Hajek. The team had a late start due to snow fall for the first few invitationals.

Greg Stephens said, "The team didn't lose last year, and we're hoping to do the same this year." With seven wins and five losses, the tennis team was on the road to victory.

On the junior varsity team, Rehan Ahmed was named most valued player. On Varsity, Greg Stephens was most improved player, and Nate Romance was named most valued.

Varsity players John Kim, Dan Kang, Greg Stephens, Sohal Patel, Jim Sallee (captain), Nate Romance, Andrew Lutze, and Brian Hajek all were letter winners. The boys tennis team bonded together for another great season.

Rewarding Baseball Season

Baseball wraps up season

By Nathan Turnis

The boys Varsity baseball team finished up with a record of 22-11 overall. They were beaten by Ridgeview in the Regional tournament after they beat Chenoa and Prairie Central. They took second place in the tournament.

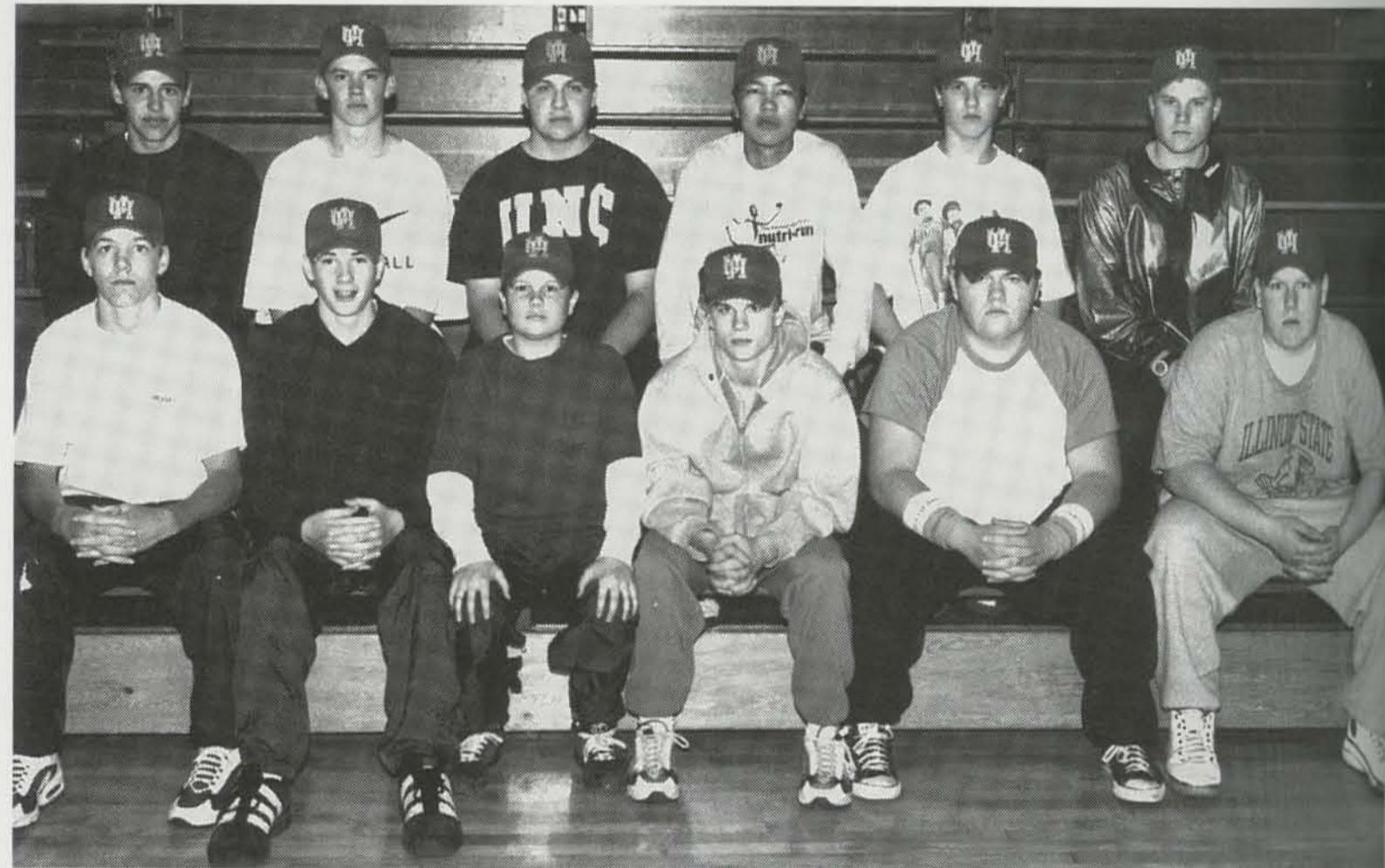
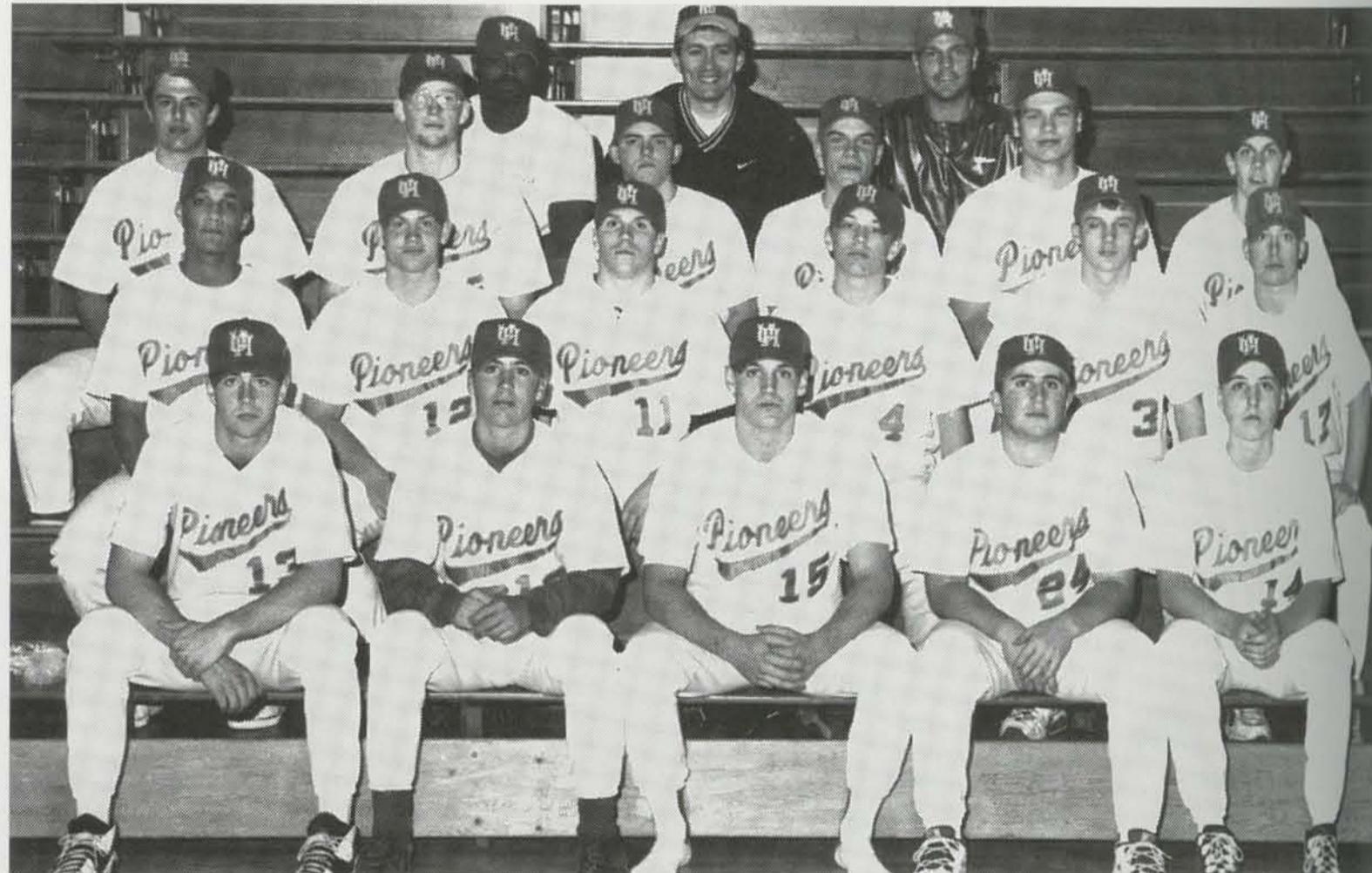
There were many spectacular players, but a few were named all conference. These players were Todd Witherow, Jason Rainey, Jon Charles, Kyle Hayes, and Dan States. States also was named the MVP.

Ben Knapp and Todd Witherow were both given the most improved award for the year, while Jason Rainey was given the Most fundamental award.

Nick Anderson, Kyle Hayes and Andy Rader were all captains for the team. Rader won the leadership award. Everyone on the Varsity team lettered this year.

VARSITY BASEBALL

Row One: Joe Whitaker, Todd Witherow, Pete Martin, Brian Flynn, David Knuth. Row Two: Jason Rainey, Calen Foster, Nick Smith, Billy Elmore, Kyle Hayes, Eric Spong. Row Three: Ben Knapp, Jon Charles, Dan States, Nick Anderson, Andy Rader, Lance McMillan. Row Four: Asst. Coach Greg Monelle, Coach Greg Bee, and Asst. Coach Craig Frey.



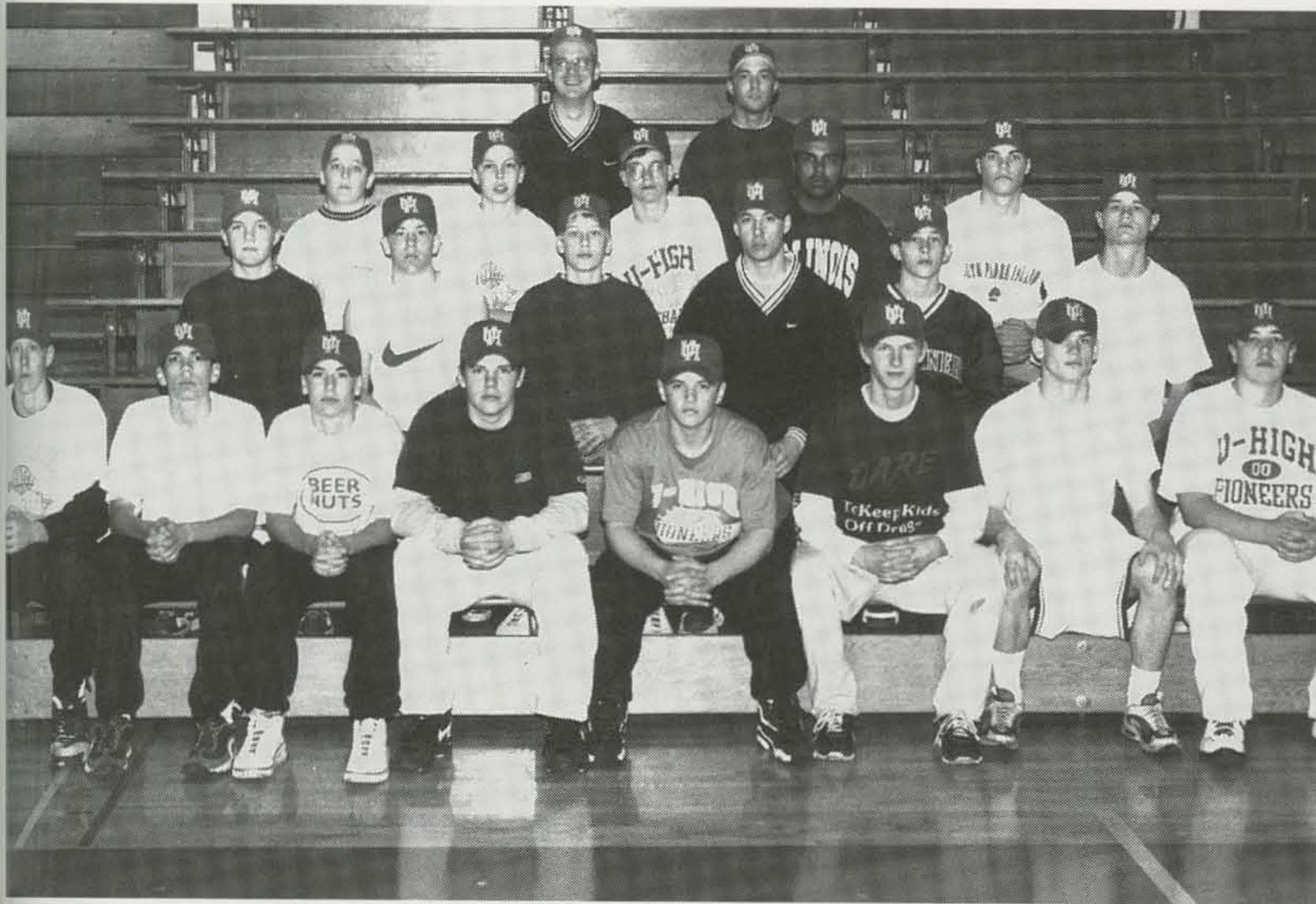
Junior Varsity

First Row: Matt Ritter, Jon Berry, Mark Henrich, Shawn Hayes, Brad Nichols, Ryan Felkamp. Second Row: Blake Knapp, Pat Kelley, Andrew Maxwell, Pete Stroyan, Ryan Thoennes, Trent Smith.

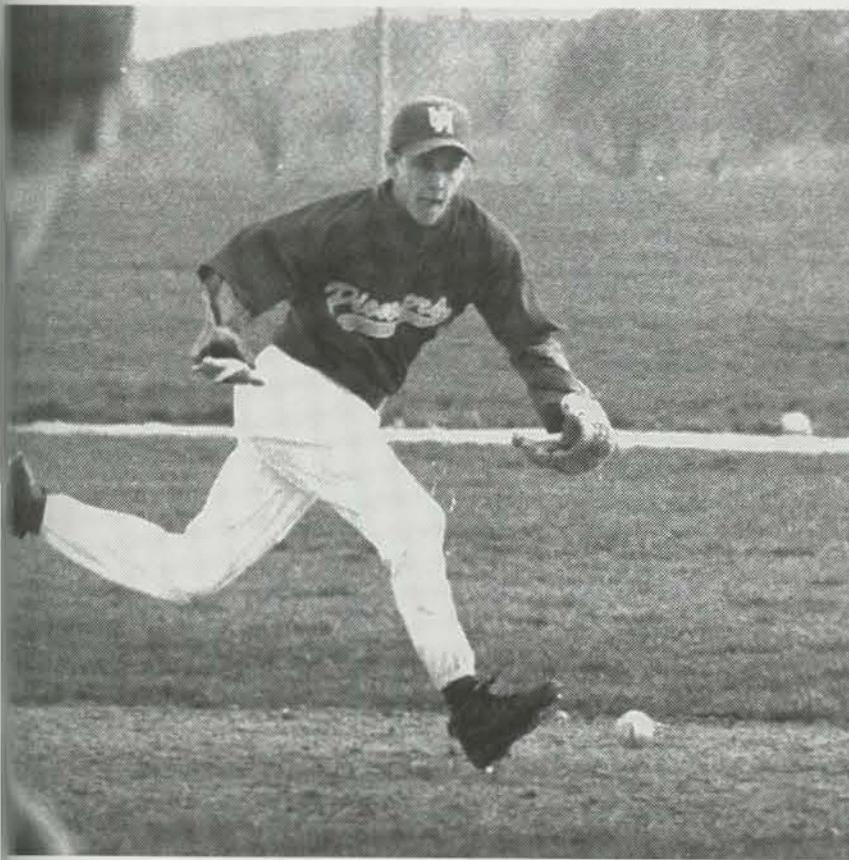
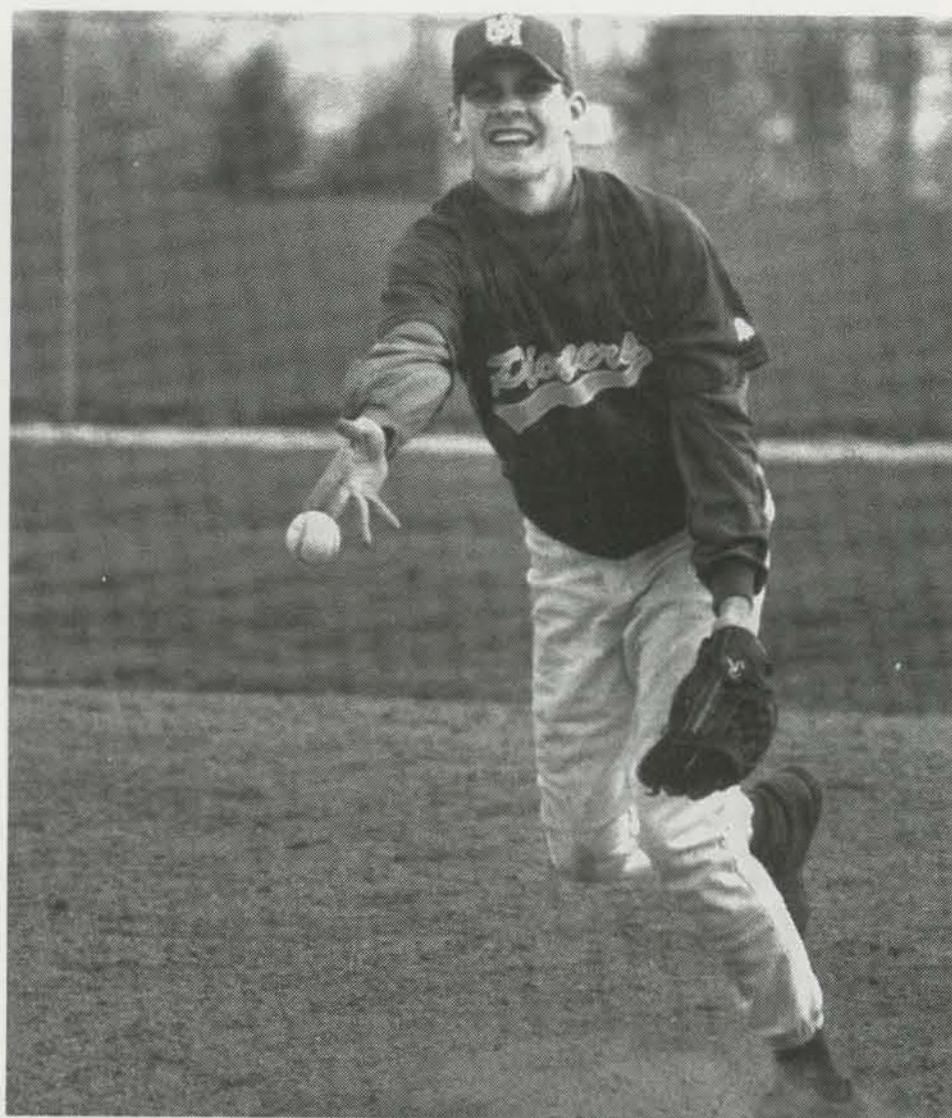


FRESHMEN BASEBALL

First Row: Clint Mapel, Nate Brent, Trent Smith, Dan Lenart, Jon Hand, Eric Kerestes, Kiel Foster, Tyler Fritzen. Second Row: Andy Cain, Chris Pedersen, Ron Ummel, Tom Menning, Mark Pydynowski, Aaron Kallhoff. Third Row: Rob Vesper, James Junis, Keith Middleton, Neal Mookerjee, Brian Schulz. Fourth Row: Coach Tom Lane and Asst. Coach Jason Arseneau.



Below: Lance McMillan dishes the ball to a fellow teammate to get an out.



Center: Kyle Hayes tries to field a ground ball

Eric Spong tags out a runner during a game.

SCOREBOARD

Team Score

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Reed Custer | 12-5 |
| Tremont | 10-15 |
| Peoria Notre Dame | 5-3 |
| Ridgeview | 12-2 |
| Blue Ridge | 10-1 |
| Normal West | 3-11 |
| Normal | 3-13 |
| Central Catholic | 7-3 |
| Clinton | 3-1 |
| Clinton | 15-2 |
| Olympia | 2-1 |
| Springfield S.E. | 11-1 |
| Petersburg Porta | 5-6 |
| Petersburg Porta | 14-0 |
| Tri-Valley | 2-3 |
| Herscher | 3-2 |
| Prairie Central | 5-12 |
| Prairie Central | 9-4 |
| Olympia | 8-1 |
| Normal | 11-1 |
| Central Catholic | 1-2 |
| St. Bede | 2-5 |
| Mahomet | 8-2 |
| Mahomet | 2-3 |
| Pontiac | 3-6 |
| Pontiac | 17-2 |
| Princeton | 8-1 |
| Metamora | 19-6 |
| Chenoa | 10-2 |
| Prairie Central | 15-2 |
| Ridgeview | 5-10 |



Re-Claiming Their Title

Softball Strikes Back

By Toni DeCristofaro

The girls softball team started their season with ten seniors leading them to a Regional victory over long-time rival Central Catholic. Due to Jamie Naffziger's game tying triple in the bottom of the sixth inning, the Pioneers went into extra innings. In the bottom of the eighth, the win was sealed by a long shot to center field creamed by Kristi Witherow. The Lady Pioneers lost in the first game of sectionals, but managed to bring home another Regional championship.

With an experienced team of nine seniors and a pitching staff comprised of senior Kristy Ralston, underclassmen Amy Varda, and Jamie Peregoy, the team was expected to go far. They lost one member late in the season which forced everyone to come together to accomplish their team goals.

They also had an exceptional junior varsity team backing them up with a season record of 17-4. Coach Smith pulled up juniors Kristy Corbitt and Julie Bisbee in hopes of using them for base running. Unfortunately, Bisbee had a foot injury and Corbitt was sick. Despite their illnesses, they offered support from the bench.

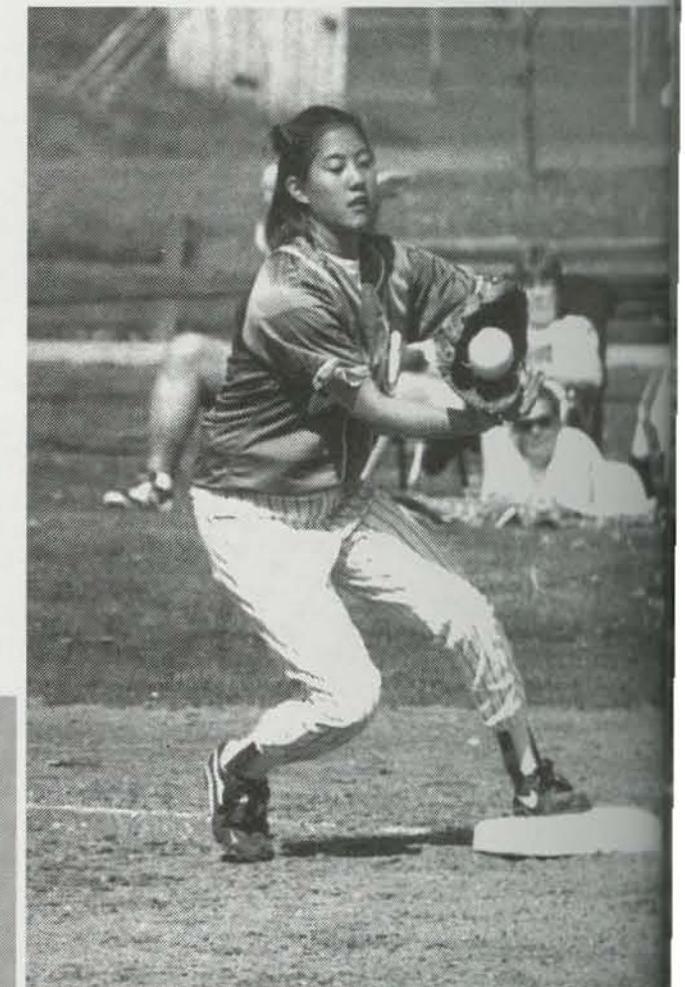
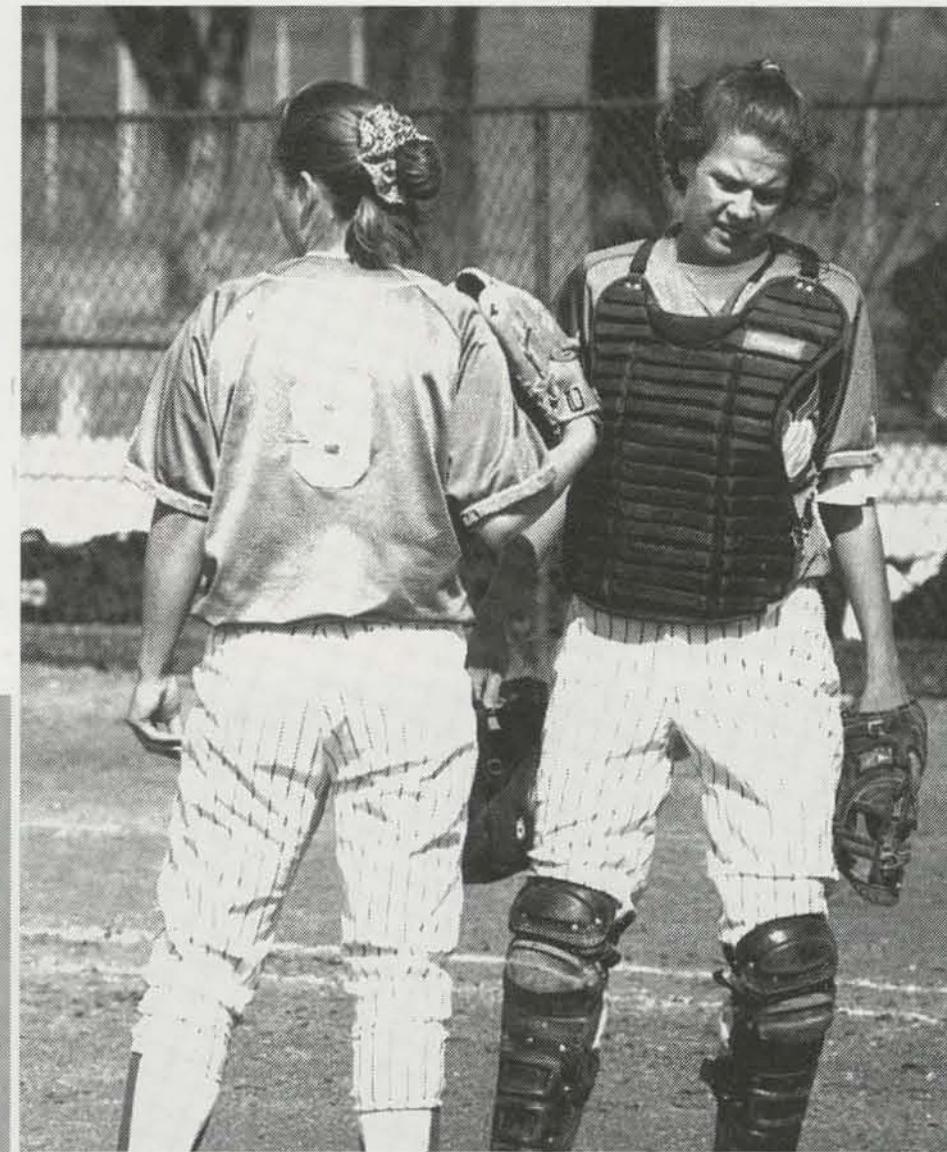
With ten members of the Varsity team graduating, it will be a difficult task to succeed in post season next year. But for now, it just feels good to savor the accomplishments of this 1997 girls softball team.

Above Right: Varsity team members concentrate on Olympia during warm-ups. This is common practice for the Varsity and obviously came in handy with a 4-3 win.

Right: Seniors Kristy Ralston and Lindsay Hunt stand at home plate conversing about the next play. Throughout the season, this pitcher/catcher duo proved to work well for the team.

VARSITYSOFTBALL

Row One: Coach Smith, Julie Bisbee, Bridget Jones, Jamie Peregoy, Sara Johnson, Trainer. Row Two: Kristy Corbitt, Kristy Ralston. Row Three: Lindsay Hunt, Hannah McGeehan, Nicole Rainey. Row Four: Lindsey O'Neil. Row Five: Joni Gerdes, Judy Yin, Jamie Naffziger, Amy Varda, Kristi Witherow.



Above: Running quickly from second to cover for the bunt, senior Judy Yin was ready to take the throw at first from a team member.

JUNIOR VARSITY SOFTBALL

Row One: Tammy Storbakken. Row Two: Kim Watercotte, Heidi Kuethe, Jodi Naffziger, Celina Padavil, and Gault. Row Three: Maggie Saluto, Jess Shoemaker, Natalie Reeser, Teresa Schmidt, Amy VanCauwenberge. Row Four: Krisy Corbitt, Julie Bisbee, Toni DeCristofaro. Not Pictured: Morgan Crutchfield.

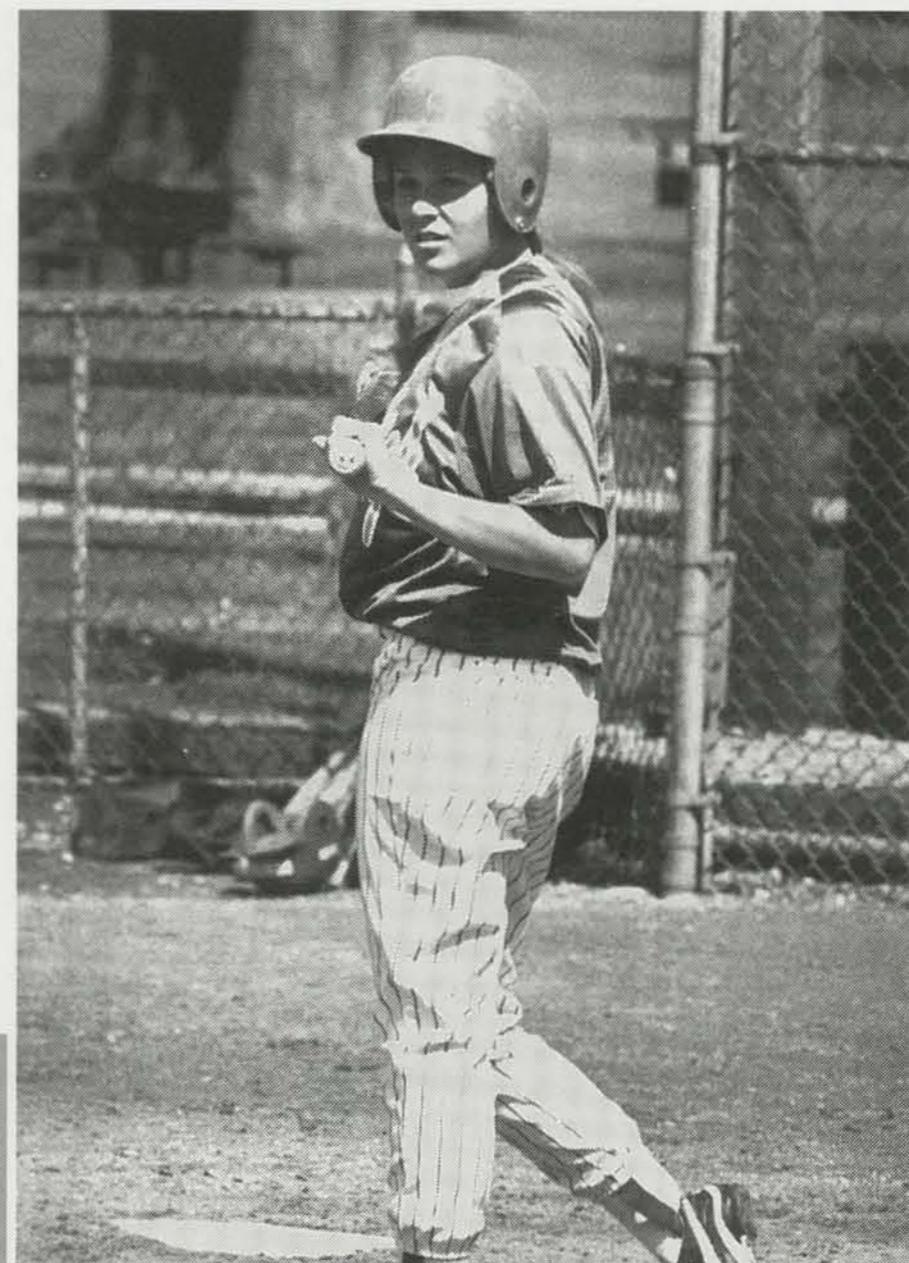


Above Top: Sophomore Heidi Kuethe and freshman Jodi Naffziger were caught bonding during a double-header against Dee-Mack. The Junior Varsity team won both games to improve their record to 15 wins and 4 losses.

Above: Senior Joni Gerdes executes the perfect slide at home plate. Her perfect form is due to the team spent in the large gym sliding across blankets.

SCOREBOARD

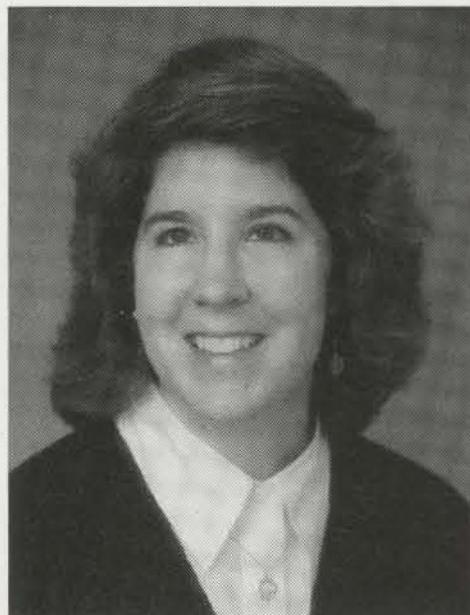
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| BHS | L |
| Metamora | W |
| Olympia | W |
| Washington | S |
| St. Bede | W |
| BCC | W |
| Prairie Central | L |
| Pontiac | L |
| Mahomet | W |
| Tri Valley | W |
| Olympia | W |
| BCC | L |
| Normal | L |
| Prairie Central | W |
| Pontiac | L |
| Morton | W |



Above: Senior Jamie Naffziger looks to Coach Smith for the signal. Naffziger was one of the few who rarely missed a sign.

Re-inventing the Future

Maria Coolican Leads Outstanding Faculty



Maria Coolican
Principal

"This year was a strong year for stability," said Dr. Maria Coolican. Many of the faculty members remained while only a few new ones were added. This is the first year since 1993 that U-High has had the same principal for more than one year. In the recent past the principal position has been handed off to a new candidate each year, until now.

Coolican really enjoys shaping young minds, "I like working with teachers and students to devise solutions and find new ways of doing things." To many people's disappointment, Coolican announced that once again the principal title would be handed

off, when she announced her resignation in the spring. Coolican plans to pursue personal business operations. Students and teachers wish Coolican luck with her future, and know that whatever she tries her hand at will be a success.

Teachers such as the Biology two teacher Jenny Grogg and Physics teacher Tom Holbrook do more than just teach in the classroom. Grogg's classes took part in a bioethics and the law project. The purpose was to offer students an authentic experience in both law and biology. Holbrook has an annual mouse-trap derby race where students combine knowledge gained through the year.

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Barbara Blunk
Eric Bogrun
John Boyd
Sandra Brown

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Linda Dubois
Lynda Frankenburger
Jenny Grogg
JD Hawkins

Thomas Holbrook
Cal Hubbard
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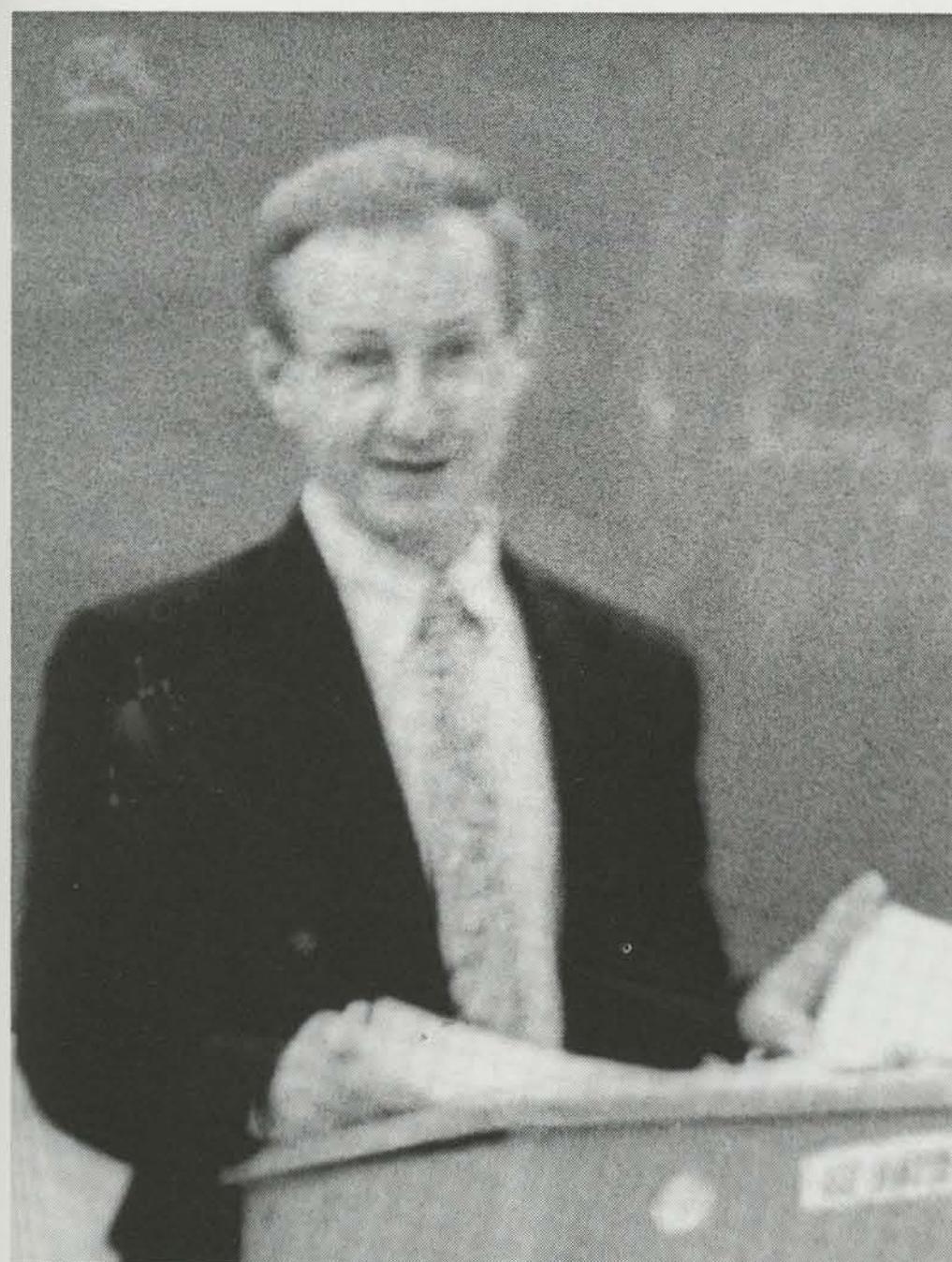




Margeret Tatum
Suzie Thetard
Micheal Virlee
Diane Walker
Susan Willert
Mary Witherow
Bobbi Wojcik

Left: John Boyd, distinguished member of the foreign language department, lectures to the members of his 12:00 French class.

Below: Martha Keiser adds a little halloween spirit while she watches over lounge activities.



Missing In Action

Several of our fine faculty chose not to have their picture taken this year, either that or they were all abducted by tiny green men from a galaxy far, far away on picture day.
Here we pay tribute to the camera shy.

Rodger Baldwin
Mary Ann Boyd
Curt Christianson
Jerry Christensen
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Kathy Clesson - English

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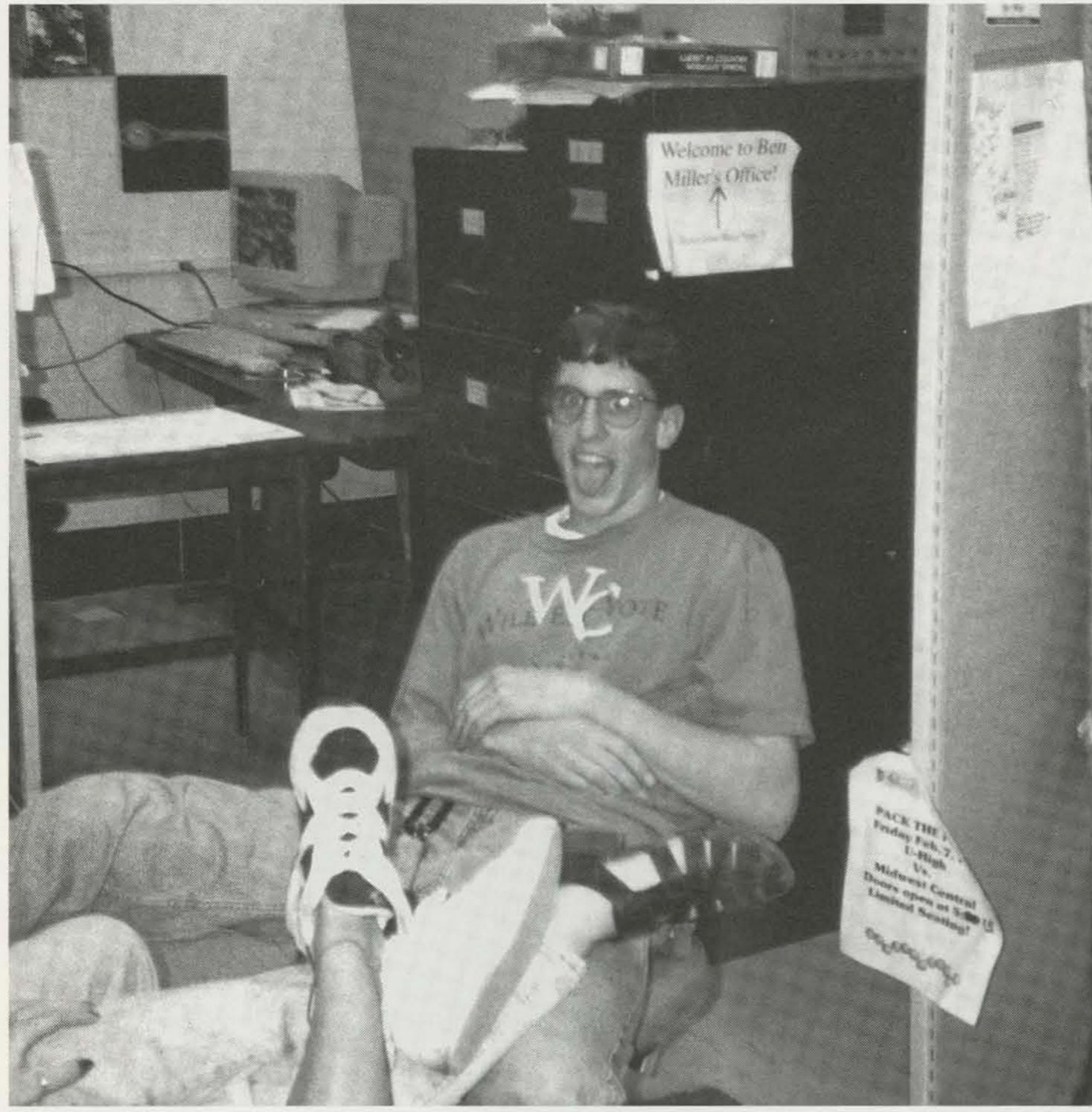
Math Department Experiences Change

In the spring of 1996, many math students said a tearful good-bye to their favorite teacher, Damon Jones, as he prepared to move to Oklahoma with his family. When school began this fall the same students were surprised to find themselves back in class with Jones. Life seemed pretty good with the easy going Texan, he taught his classes, and coached the Football team through a fairly successful season, all with the knowledge that soon he would have to say good-bye for real. Three weeks before the end of the first semester, Jones told his classes their final joke.

It is no understatement to say that Jones' students were devastated by his loss, struggling to catch up when temporary replacements tried finish the semester where their teacher beloved left off. Some students felt betrayed, others felt like they were living in a nightmare, senior Judy Yin was heard saying, "I keep thinking tomorrow I'll walk into class and Mr. Jones will be there."

After Christmas their nightmare was over when Jerry Christensen. Christensen came to teach Jones' classes. Christensen, a retired teacher and high school administrator, was just what Jones' students needed. Christensen guided the students at a gradual pace, guaranteeing that they knew him and the material he was teaching. Christensen's class was filled with respect, love and learning, a perfect combination. His students trusted him and looked forward to coming to a class where they knew their teacher cared.

Thank You Clarion Staff



Above: Junior Nathan Turnis takes a few minutes off from working on his yearbook pages to converse with fellow staffers in the journalism lounge. The lounge serves as a place to relax when the drudgery of layout becomes too taxing for the staff.

Above Left: Sophomore Molly Archer takes a few minutes to gather her wits, and take in instruction on what she needs to do in order to complete her yearbook pages. See how intently she is listening to her editor!

Left: Business Manager Ben Miller pops in to observe how Ad sales are going, and to check out when his pages are due. Pages were completed by three pre-set deadlines.



1996-1997

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*Assistant Photo Editor
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Each school year the Clarion staff gathers together in room 246 to create a masterpiece. In the process of creating a book that will be cherished by U-High students for years to come, many friendships are created, bonds made and lessons learned.

This year friendships were found in unexpected places as the yearbook staff went in search of learning the true meaning of reflections. The staff turned to themselves to make the book meaningful, created their own memories and took pride in their work.

Hours upon hours of dedication, including evenings, weekends and early morning summer work sessions, went into putting this book in your hands. Some members of the staff put their heart into their pages, others put their soul. It is evident that hard work and dedication to doing a good book pays off.

The staff attempted some new things this year while putting the book together. Some of the methods changed, as well as theories and logic. Layout and design became more cutting edge and experimental as well as how the group interacted. Not all of the methods worked as expected, but the staff takes each lesson as learning experience as moves on to the next one.

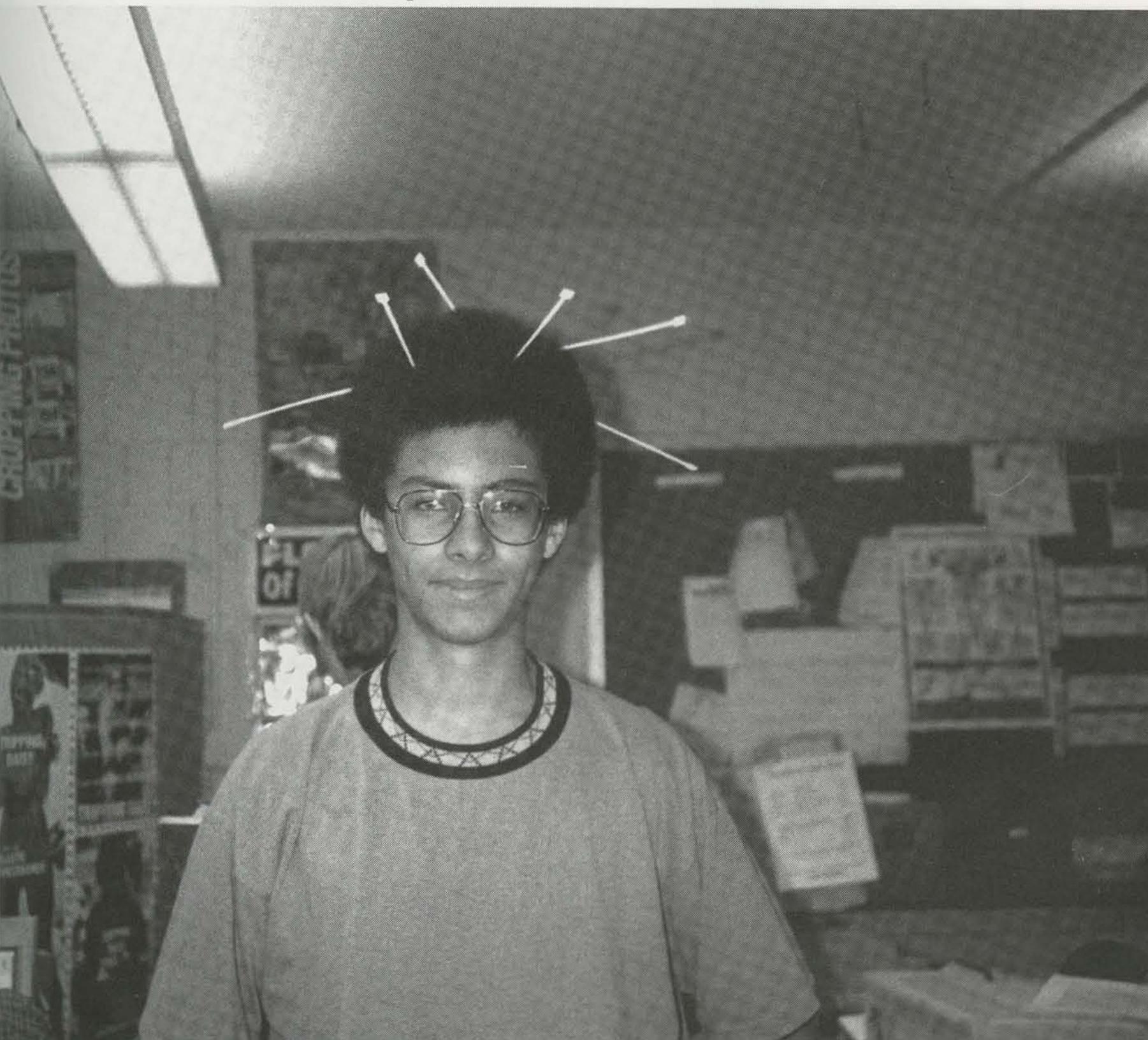
It is the intention of this staff to continue to grow and to experiment and to pass on the legacy they have created this year to future staffs. Each lesson will be passed on, making each book better than the last.

In conclusion of this book, I would like to thank every one who helped make 1996-1997 a memorable and make my dreams of a good yearbook come true. Thank you Clarion Staffers!!!

Thank you, good luck and lots of love,

Stephanie E. Kiesewetter
Clarion Editor-In-Chief

Left: Sophomore Bryson Engelen helps relieve some of the tension in the lab as the yearbook staff tries, in vain, to wrap up the book before summer starts,



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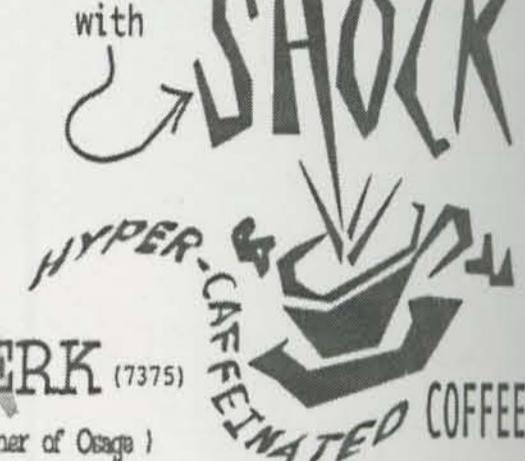
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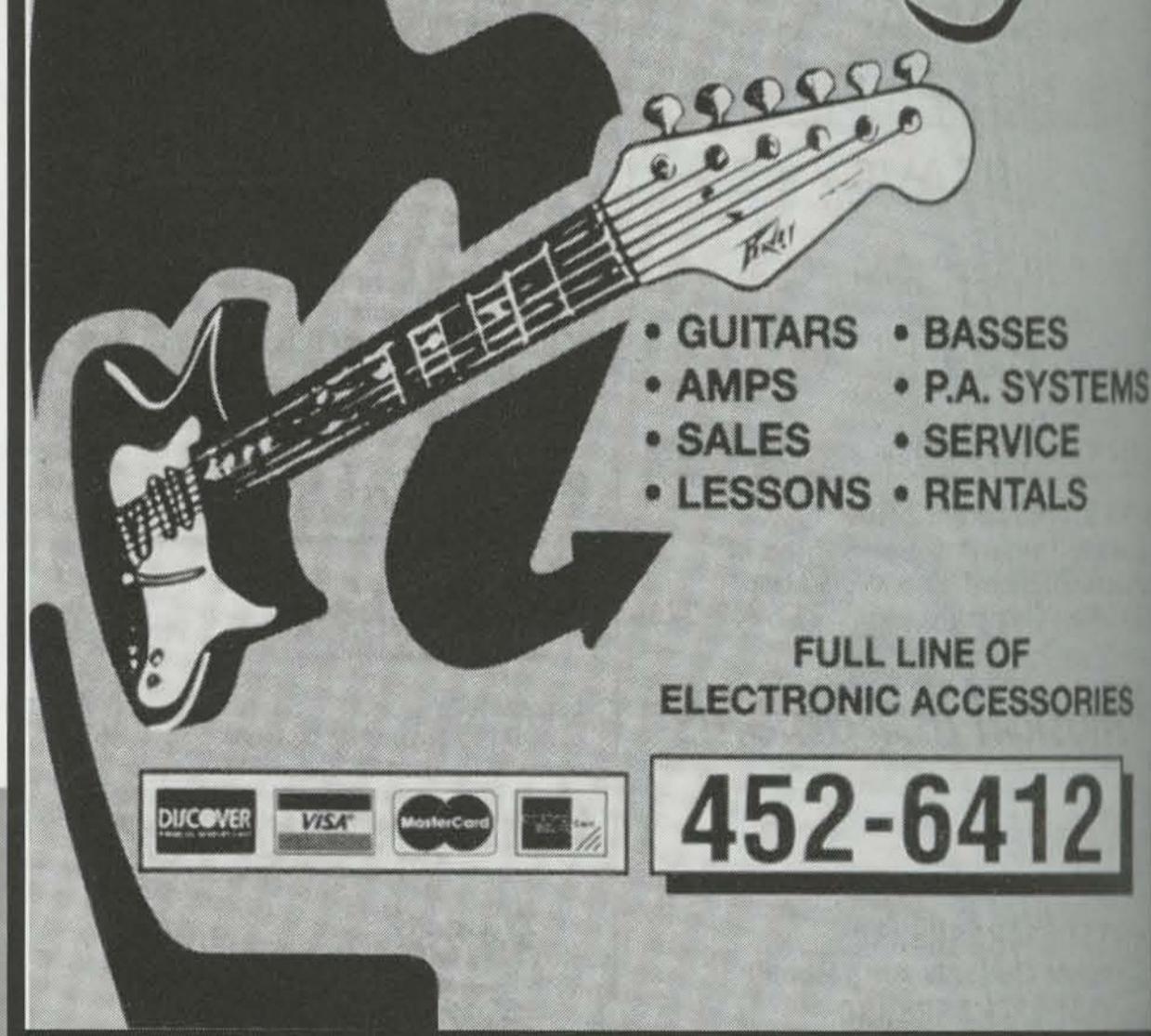
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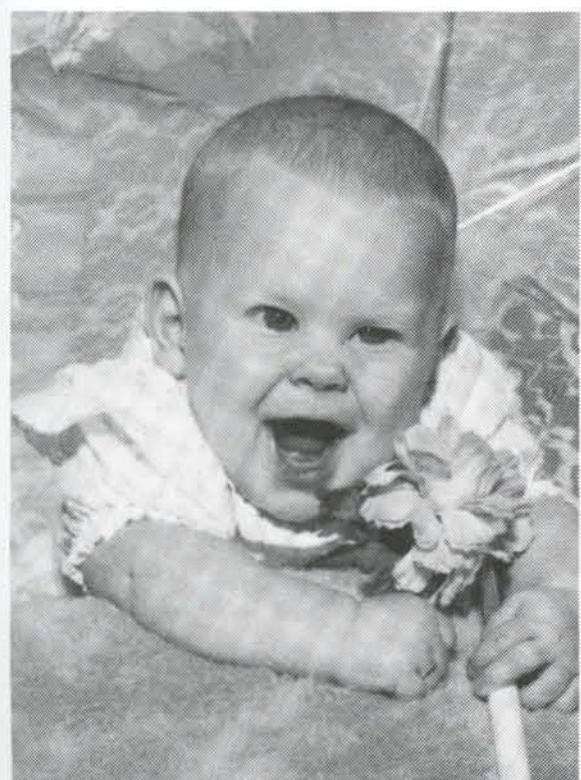
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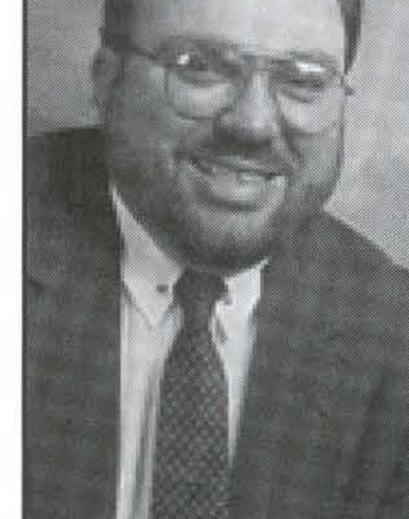
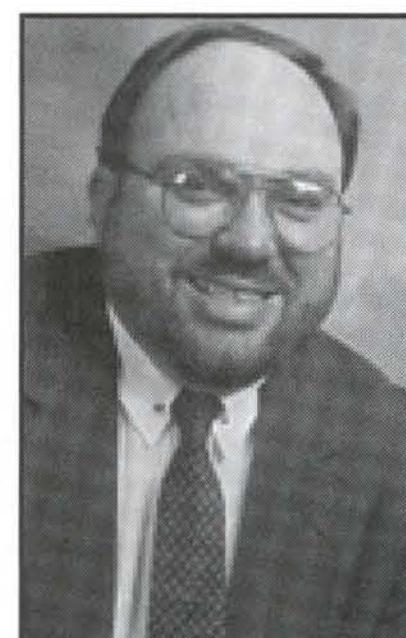
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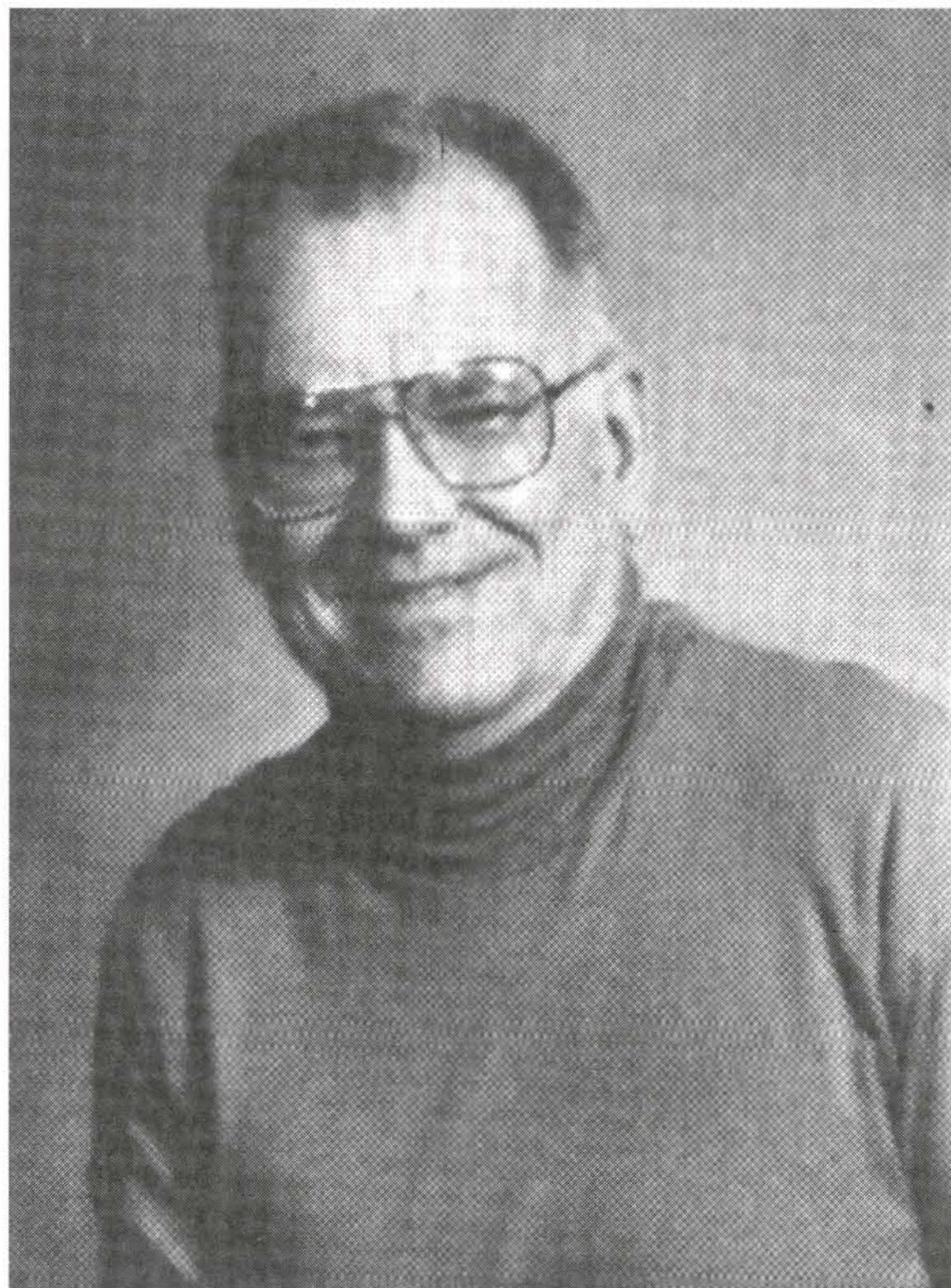
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Mr. Parmantie

When the 1997 Clarionette staff learned of Peter Parmantie's decision to retire at the end of the school year, we were both shocked and saddend. Parmantie has dedicated thirty-six years to educating U-High students. Parmantie will be missed by students, their parents and fellow faculty. We all wish him the best of luck and a happy retirement!

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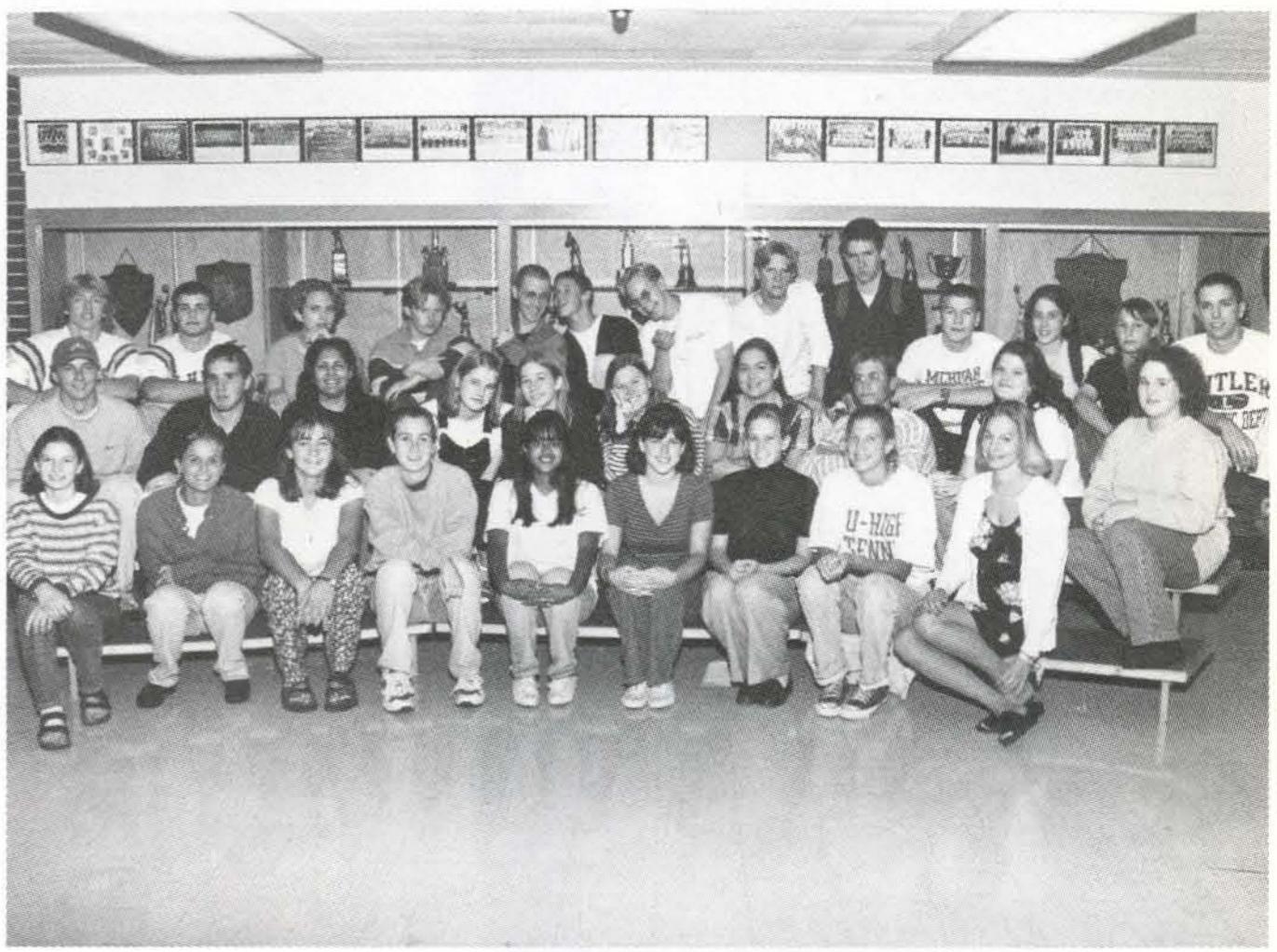
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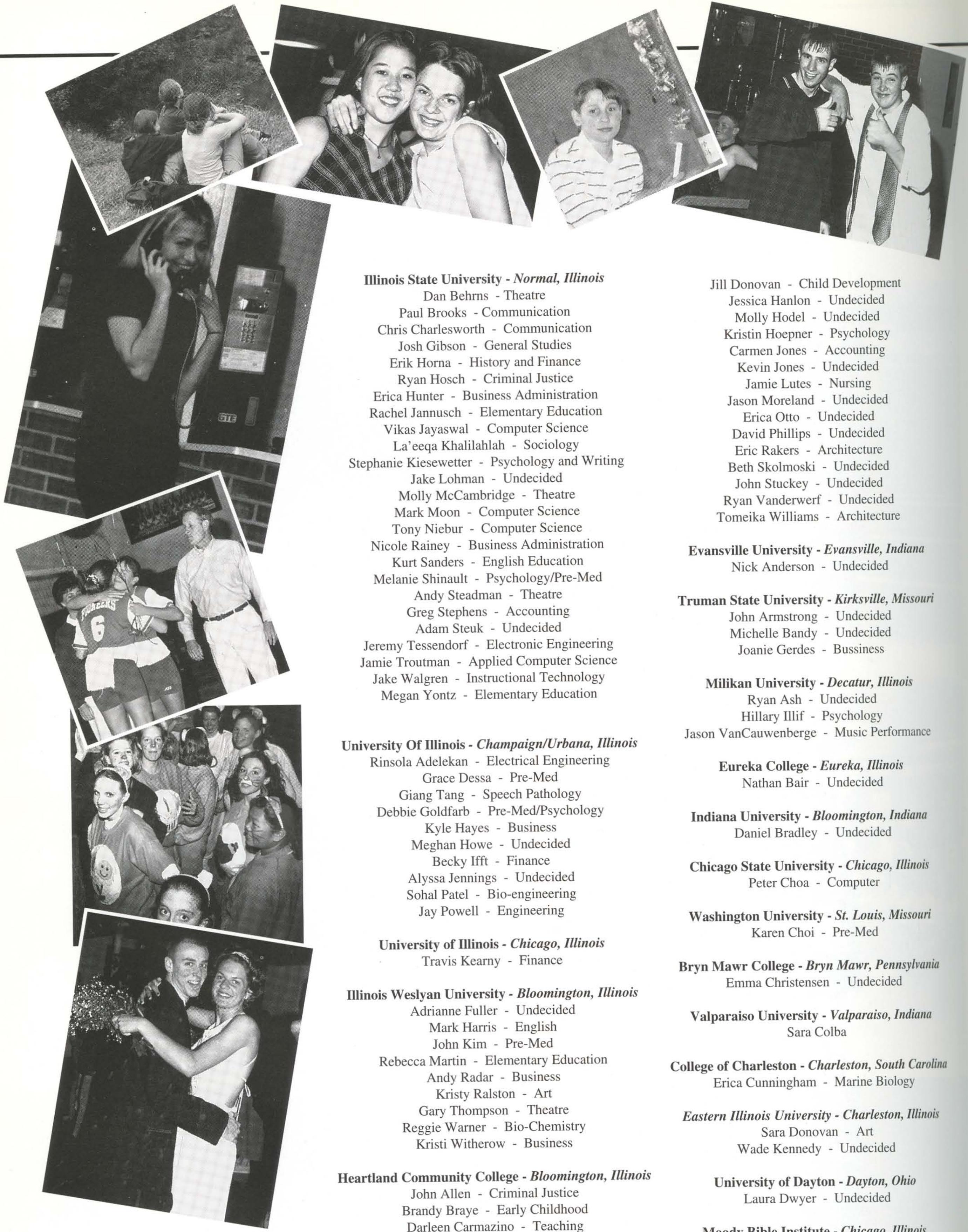
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 Vikas Jayaswal - Computer Science
 La'eeqa Khalilahlah - Sociology
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 Mark Moon - Computer Science
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 Kurt Sanders - English Education
 Melanie Shinault - Psychology/Pre-Med
 Andy Steadman - Theatre
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 Jay Powell - Engineering

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Kristin Hoepner - Psychology

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Kevin Jones - Undecided

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Daniel Bradley - Undecided

Chicago State University - Chicago, Illinois

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Karen Choi - Pre-Med

Bryn Mawr College - Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania

Emma Christensen - Undecided

Valparaiso University - Valparaiso, Indiana

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Eastern Illinois University - Charleston, Illinois

Sara Donovan - Art

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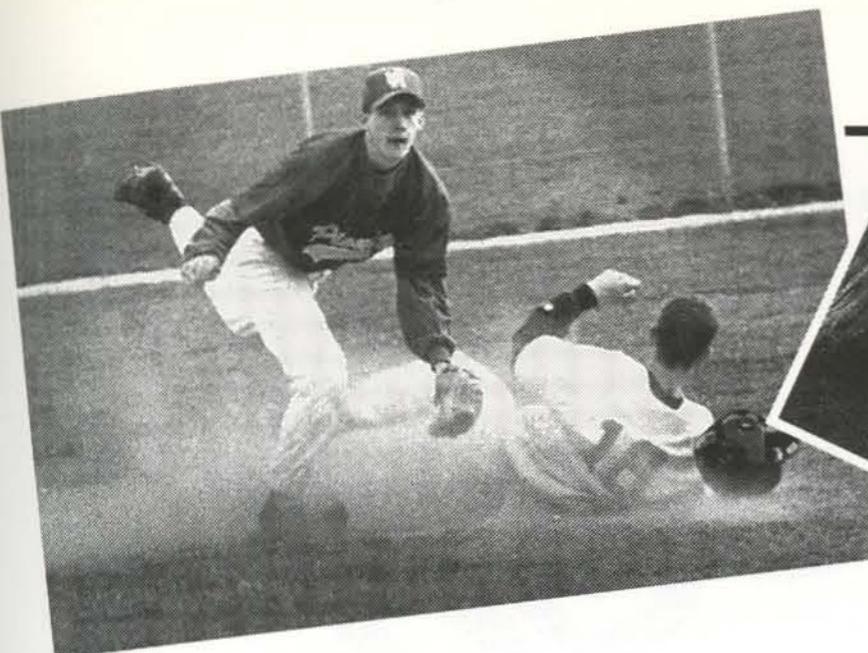
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Moody Bible Institute - Chicago, Illinois

Katie Foster - Missions

Class of 1997

Where They Will Be



Northwestern University - Evanston, Illinois
Briana Gleason - Pre-Med

Butler University - Indianapolis, Indiana
Andrew Golomb - Finance

Purdue University - West Lafayette, Indiana
David Griffith - Pre-Med

Southwestern Texas State University - San Marcos, Texas
Ryan Hoelting - Undecided

DePauw University - Greencastle, Indiana
Lindsay Hunt - Undecided

Carleton College - Northfield, Minnesota
Julia Jarvis

Knox College - Galesburg, Illinois
Luara Jennings - Pre-Med

Carnegie Mellon University - Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Daniel Kang - Computer Engineer

West Point Academy - West Point, New York
Micheal Lockhart - Undecided

Iowa State University - Ames, Iowa
Mario Marshall - Civil Engineering
Michael Toeple - Chemical Engineer

Lindenwood College - St Charles, Missouri
Hanna McGeehen - Social Work

Bradley University - Peoria, Illinois
Avani Mehta - Pre-Med

Miami University - Oxford, Ohio
Rob Mentzer - Creative Writing

Greenville Christian College - Greenville Illinois
Ben Miller - Elementary Education

Augustana College - Rock Island, Illinois
Michelle Natzke - Elementary Education

Vanderbilt University - Nashville, Tennessee
Lindsey O'Neil - Human Development

Edison College - Ft. Myers, Florida
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Wheaton College - Wheaton, Illinois
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Coe College - Cedar Rapids, Iowa
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North Central College - Naperville, Illinois
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Art School - Chicago, Illinois
Matt Schwetzer

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Southern Missouri University or Illinois State University
Amber Cortese - Pre-Med

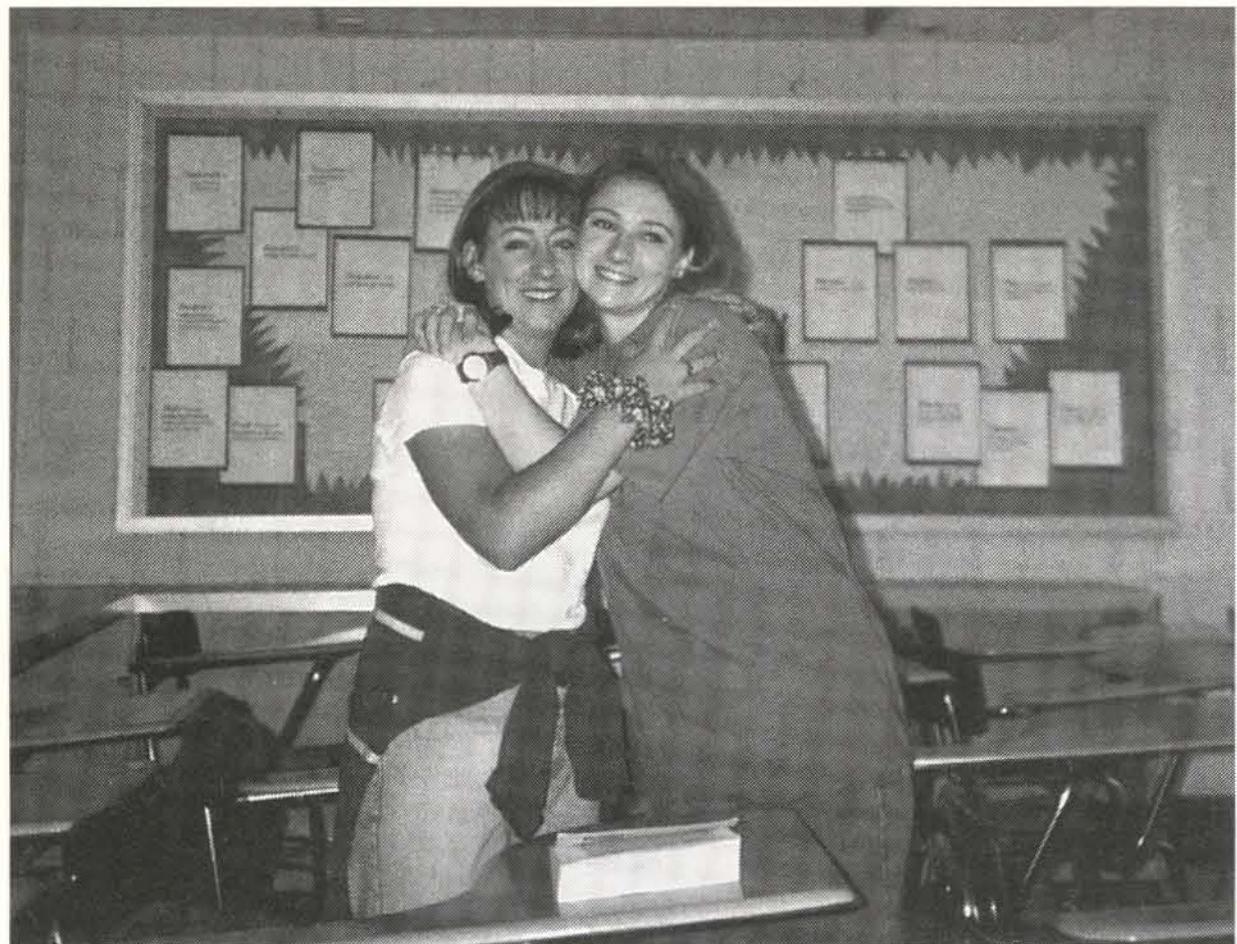
Illinois Central College or Heartland Junior College
Danielle Lewis - Physical Therapy

Illinois Wesleyan University or Southern Illinois University
Molly Myers - Business

Undecided
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Misty Younge

Julia Fiergola, our German exchange student plans to return back to Germany and pursue studies in languages.

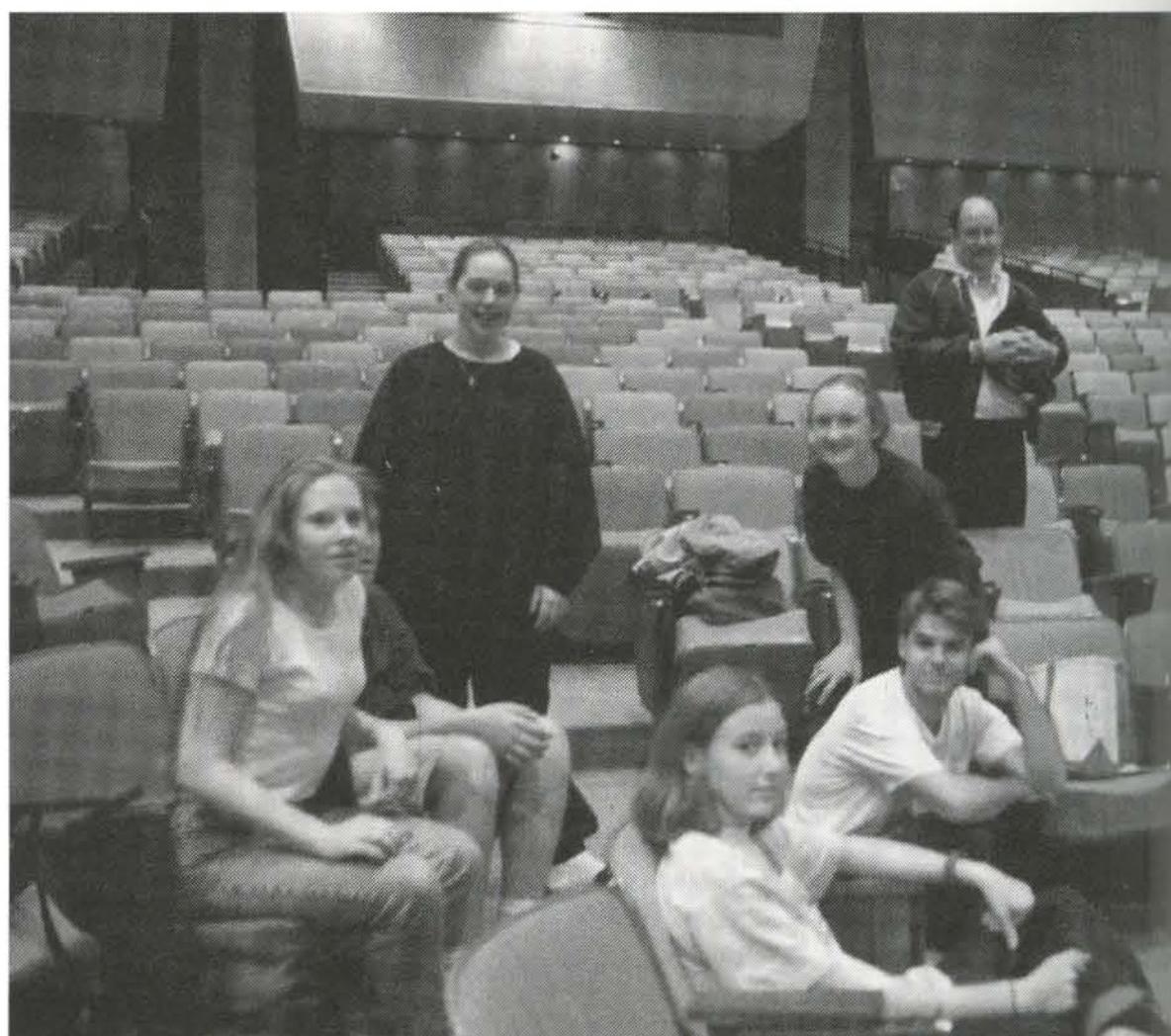




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